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Shuttle heralds new era

HOUSTON, Texas, Nov. 15 (R) — U.S. space experts, buoyed by the unprecedented second flight of the space shuttle *Columbia*, looked forward Sunday to a new era of space travel. Despite the mission's technical problems, officials of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) were planning for future voyages, confident that the new generation space vehicle can indeed make repeated excursions into orbit.

They were unconcerned about the mechanical problems which delayed the shuttle's second launch and then forced it to return home after completing less than half its planned mission.

The program's managers have said repeatedly they considered *Columbia* a research and development vehicle and had always expected to encounter problems. They noted

with some pride Saturday after the spacecraft's second flawless landing, that they had been able to cope with the difficulties.

Although they ordered the shuttle to cut the second of its flights from 84 orbits to 36, they said virtually all of the mission's major objectives had been accomplished. The third voyage is tentatively set for next March.

"The rate of our overall success was in the 90 to 95 percent class," NASA Administrator John Beggs said after astronauts Joe Engle and Richard Truly, the first men to fly a "used" spacecraft, piloted it to a perfect landing.

"Spread the word tonight that we have a great machine," 49-year-old Col. Engle said. "This program is really going to grow into something this nation can be proud of," added Capt. Truly, who celebrated his 44th birthday with the shuttle's blast-off.

Although their voyage was curtailed by a faulty electrical generator, the two men managed to cram almost eight days' work into a little over two.

Officials said the shuttle demonstrated it could make repeated space flights, with a minimum of ground maintenance after its first mission last April, as well as its potential for more practical space projects.

Probably the most important thing the astronauts accomplished was to try out the shuttle's mechanical arm for handling cargo for the first time. Despite being pressed for time, they carried out tests with the 50-foot (15-meter) articulated aluminum arm.

The shuttle also carried out seven scientific experiments — the first official shuttle payload bay designed to prove its ability to serve as an orbiting laboratory for research in results are still being analyzed.

Khaled receives Khaddam, Barre

RIYADH, Nov. 15 (SPA) — King Khaled received Abdul Halim Khaddam, Syrian deputy premier and foreign minister, at his office here Sunday.

In the afternoon, the King welcomed Abdul Rahman Jama Barre, foreign minister of Somalia.

Present at the two meetings were Crown Prince Fahd and Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal. Prince Saud received his Syrian counterpart in the morning and discussed the regional situation and bilateral ties. Later on he met with Foreign Minister of North Yemen Ali Lutf Al Thawri who is visiting the country.

Abdul Sattar set to sweep Bangladesh presidential poll

DACCA, Nov. 15 (R) — The ruling Bangladesh National Party (BNP) candidate Abdul Sattar appeared headed for a landslide victory Sunday in the Bangladesh presidential elections.

Results so far showed he polled 90,238 votes against his nearest rival, Dr. Kamal Hossain of the Awami League, with 8,584.

Government officials said the election had been peaceful, but the Awami League claimed its members had been harassed, polling huts burned down and declared the election "a farce."

Sattar, 75, a former judge, has been acting president since President Ziaur Rahman's assassination in an army mutiny last May.

Dr. Hossain, 45, an Oxford-educated lawyer, has said that if his party loses the election it will embark on a campaign of constitutional protest.

The election is crucial in that it will determine how Bangladesh, an impoverished nation of 95 million, will be ruled in future.

Sattar has said he is committed to carry on the presidential system introduced by former President Ziaur Rahman, which the opposition has called dictatorial one-man rule.

The Bangladesh news agency BSS said voting was moderate to heavy in most areas as voters turned out to choose a successor to Major General Ziaur Rahman, who was assassinated May 30 during a brief army rebel-

lion. The polls closed at five p.m. (1100 GMT).

Unofficial sources estimated that 50 to 60 percent of the 39 million electorate would have cast their ballots during the day, slightly more than the 53 percent which voted in the 1978 election.

Although a record number of 31 candidates had entered the fray, the election turned out to be a straight fight between acting President Sattar, representing the BNP, and Western-educated former Foreign Minister Kamal Hossain of the Awami League.

Justice Sattar took over as acting president of Bangladesh on the assassination of President Ziaur Rahman May 30 and won the admiration of the Bangladesh public for his calm but firm handling of the transition.

Despite poor health, the 75-year-old Justice Sattar moved from his hospital bed to the presidential palace and issued decrees one after another to deal with the uncertainties following the attempted coup. He showed amazing swiftness in curbing the army rebellion by rallying all major officers.

His credibility in the public eye was further enhanced when he ordered a crackdown on corruption and stood up firmly to the agitation that followed the execution of the 12 condemned army officers for the May 30 rebellion.

Sattar, a faithful lieutenant of the late president, paid homage Saturday at Zia's grave near the new parliament building in Dhacca.

In election speeches, he stressed he would continue a 19-point development program introduced by Zia and would maintain the presidential system of rule.



REAGAN GOES HUNTING: President Ronald Reagan, wearing camouflage clothes, waves at newsmen as he and his chief of staff Jim Baker, (right) prepare for a tour and some hunting on the J.O. Winston Ranch. Baker's aide Mike Denver is at left.

Allen denies fixing deal

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The story also quoted an unidentified spokeswoman for the magazine as saying that before the interview took place, "we were asked by the person who arranged the interview what we were thinking about in terms of 'gratitude.'"

"We gave the answer, again based on our common sense, which was \$1,000," the spokeswoman, who was present at the interview, told the *Post*. "In our business it is quite natural that we give thank you fees to people who collaborate with us." The spokeswoman declined to identify the intermediary.

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Dutch coalition braces for anti-nuclear rally

THE HAGUE, Nov. 15 (R) — The shaky Dutch center-left coalition government, already split over the issue of stationing American nuclear missiles in the Netherlands, is preparing for the country's biggest-ever anti-nuclear rally next weekend.

Police are preparing for thousands of demonstrators to converge on Amsterdam Saturday when calls will be made to reverse the 1979 NATO agreement to base 572 U.S. medium-range missiles in five West European countries.

All three parties represented in the Dutch ruling coalition will send speakers to address the rally, which will be held only weeks before the Netherlands is to decide whether to accept 48 of the missiles on its territory.

Foreign Minister Max van der Stoep told American officials early this month the government would not be able to meet the December deadline. The missiles issue has gripped the coalition government ever since last May's general election.

The Christian Democrats (CDA), led by Prime Minister Dries van Agt, want to see progress in the forthcoming Geneva arms talks between the United States and the Soviet Union before making a decision.

Its coalition partner, Labor, pledged in its election platform to reject the American missiles and cut the Dutch nuclear role in NATO. The third member of the coalition, the left-of-center Democrats '66, declared it would not support the missiles in present circumstances.

An accord hammered out between the coalition partners after three months of bargaining did no more than leave the three parties agreeing to disagree on the issue.

The Amsterdam rally that will bring added pressure on the coalition is being organized by the influential Interchurch Peace Council (IKV), which is being supported by the peace group Pax Christi and the armed forces' trade union.

Calls for outright rejection of the U.S. missiles have been attacked by supporters of NATO plans who have accused peace groups of being Soviet-backed.

Defense Minister Hans van Mierlo defended his country against what he called an odious and misleading neutralist image at a NATO planning group meeting in Scotland last month.

But he stressed the importance of the negotiation process to the Netherlands. "What we experience is a genuine concern about the destructive potential of nuclear weapons and the frightening perspective of nuclear war," he said.

He has said the majority of the Dutch parliament recognized NATO's 1979 decision to

pursue a twin-track strategy of rearming and reopening arms talks.

The United States is unhappy with the division of opinion in the Dutch government over the missiles and is likely to see the anti-nuclear rally as further evidence of a neutralist tendency that threatens to undermine NATO.

The IKV, which has around 50,000 active members, has been particularly successful in marshalling support in the Netherlands for disarmament.

The Democrats '66 and Labor only reluctantly bowed to its pressure to agree on the uncompromisingly unilateralist call of the rally.

Ministry clarifies Firms liable for checks issued by their officials

RIYADH, Nov. 15 (SPA) — The Ministry of Commerce Sunday announced that companies or individual establishments authorizing any of their alien or native representatives to undertake administration or to issue checks for their account and in their name would mean, under the law, that those checks have been issued in their name and not on the account of the person signing the check.

The ministry said that the company concerned will be responsible for the amount of checks issued by its representative, regardless of whether he holds his job or is on leave or has dissociated from the job. In regard to the public right, it said the punishment will have a personal nature and will be sanctioned on the person committing the offense, and then on the person signing a check without a balance at the bank.

The ministerial statement said that the clarification has been issued in answer to

enquiries on the extent of check amount for the companies or establishments will hold themselves responsible.

The statement reaffirmed the government's keenness to protect the interests and rights of citizens and said it will readily to answer more public enquiries in this behalf.

Earlier this year, Commerce Minister Soliman Al-Solaimi approved a statute of commercial documents to provide safeguards to checks, bills of exchange and drafts. In order to protect the check as an instrument of payment, the statute stipulates a three-month sentence and a fine of up to SR2,000 or both, for anyone who willfully draws checks without adequate funds, withholds issuing a check or orders the bank to stop payment on a check.

The statute further calls for a fine of up to SR500 on anyone who issues a post-dated (Continued on back page)

U.S. keen on N-missile ban

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15 (AP) — With two weeks to go before the opening of normal talks in Geneva, the United States is displaying new interest in seeking the total dismantling and destruction of all nuclear-armed missiles in Europe.

Meanwhile, Secretary of State Alexander M. Haig Jr. stresses repeatedly that the United States and NATO must go ahead with deploying medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe to encourage the Soviet Union to negotiate seriously on reductions in all European-based missile systems.

Haig's position apparently reflects the U.S. belief that a quick agreement with the Soviets is unlikely and that it might take months to conclude the negotiations that begin in Geneva Nov. 30 on reducing nuclear forces.

The move to the bargaining table coincides with anti-nuclear, anti-war demonstrations in Europe which U.S. officials suspect are being stage-managed by the Soviet Union as part of pre-talk maneuvering.

For its part, the United States is suspected by some observers of trying to blunt the so-

called Soviet propaganda "pace offensive" by offering qualified American support for an effort to remove all missiles from Europe.

The United States is being portrayed here as striving for deep cuts in the new Soviet SS-20 missile force and in older SS-4 and SS-5 intermediate missiles in exchange for substantially reducing or even scrapping the planned deployment of 572 U.S. Pershing II nuclear-armed missiles in Western Europe beginning in 1983.

President Reagan said at his news conference Tuesday he hoped the theater nuclear force talks will succeed in reducing those weapons "to the lowest point possible."

NATO defense ministers meeting in Scotland recently agreed to the Soviets remove their missiles from Eastern Europe. Joseph Luns, the NATO secretary general, is due in Washington early this week to discuss the issue with U.S. officials.

Haig says he would not rule out the "zero option" possibility a missile-free Europe under "ideal circumstances."

At the same time, Haig says the U.S. will not hold back on deploying missiles for NATO under the 1979 decision if the Soviets agree to freeze their missile force at present levels and not sharply reduce it. State Department spokesman Dean Fischer says the U.S. acceptance of the possibility of a missile-free Europe is fully consistent with the objective of seeing equal and verifiable limitations at the lowest level.

OPEC panel to meet

ALGIERS, Nov. 15 (AFP) — The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) strategy committee will meet on Nov. 21 and 22 in Vienna under the chairmanship of Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Algerian press service reported here Sunday. The agency said the committee would examine long-term oil market prospects.

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To promote cooperation

Saudi-Danish talks open

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, Nov. 15 — The Saudi Arabian-Danish Joint Commission for Technical, Economic, Industrial and Scientific Cooperation began deliberations here Sunday to further promote bilateral relations and cooperation.

The Kingdom's side to the meetings is led by Jamal Hassan Jawah, deputy governor of Petromin, while Danish State Undersecretary for Foreign Economic Affairs Otto Moeller heads his country's delegation.

Danish Ambassador Frantz Howitz told *Arab News* that the commission will discuss during its present session various topics covering agriculture, shipping, technical training, health and scientific cooperation. Five specialist groups from the two delegations were formed to pursue talks on specific topics on the agenda, according to the ambassador.

Howitz added that the commission was established in 1974 under an agreement signed in Copenhagen to "stipulate economic, industrial, and scientific cooperation, in addition to training of technical personnel." The session concludes its delib-

erations Monday.

In an inaugural speech, Jawah welcomed the Danish delegation and commended the prevailing good relations between Saudi Arabia and Denmark. He admired the Danish government's efforts to promote economic relations with the Kingdom.

Moeller also affirmed the importance placed by his country on economic links with Saudi Arabia. He expressed the hope that the commission's meetings will contribute to further fostering relations between the two countries.

The five expert's groups resumed meetings later during the day on their respective specializations. Their discussions covered aspects of cooperation between the Kingdom and Denmark in training personnel and other economic, agricultural, technical, health, civil defense and shipping activities, according to the Saudi Press Agency (SPA).

A Danish consortium will administer and operate the Jizan SR1-billion hospital which open is expected to open in December. The 500-bed hospital will offer wide ranging medical services in various specializations.

BRIEFS

RIYADH, (SPA) — Minister of Pilgrimage and Endowments Sheikh Abdul Wahhab Abdul Wasea has approved a SR4.5-million contract for cleaning and maintenance of 138 mosques in Riyadh and seven in Kharj. The contract has been let to a local company.

DAMMAM, (SPA) — Sheikh Saad Al-Mojel, president of the board of directors of Eastern Province's Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Sunday met with a delegation of Arab-American Chamber of Commerce now visiting the Kingdom. They discussed various aspects of cooperation and trade and industrial exchange between the two sides.

RIYADH, (SPA) — Riyadh University's

cultural committee organizes an open seminar Monday, on the future of energy in the world. The seminar, which is organized in collaboration with Chevron Arabia, will be held at the university's lecture hall in Malazz.

JEDDAH, (SPA) — Liberian Foreign Minister Bachos Manios left here Sunday after a few days' visit to the Kingdom. During his stay, Manios held talks with officials on cooperation and bilateral relations.

BAHA, (SPA) — Sixteen new schools have been opened in Baha region this month. Of these, primary and intermediate schools are six each while secondary schools number four. At present, the area has 22,000 students enrolled at 269 schools of different levels.

Kingdom elected to IMCO board

LONDON, Nov. 15 (SPA) — The Inter-governmental Marine Consultative Organization, (IMCO) Saturday elected Saudi Arabia for the membership of its 24-nation board of directors.

Ahmed Yusuf Turki, deputy communications minister for transportation affairs, represents the Kingdom at the IMCO general assembly meetings which began here Nov. 9.

The 121-member organization is one of the United Nation's 10 bodies, established in 1958, to promote contacts and cooperation among governments on marine affairs, safety of navigation and protecting marine environment. IMCO is scheduled to conclude its meetings Friday.

Aba Al-Khail returns from Bonn

RIYADH, Nov. 15 (SPA) — Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail, minister of finance and national economy, returned here from Bonn Saturday after leading his country's delegation to the Saudi-German Joint Commission which ended its session Friday.

The two-day meeting of the commission culminated in an economic, technical and technological agreement between the two countries. Aba Al-Khail also discussed with Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and other West German officials the ways and means to foster bilateral relations.

Meanwhile, Aba Al-Khail has said that there is a proposal to set up a financial establishment for investment in the Arab states of the Gulf. He commended the proposal and

added that it could bring benefit to the peoples of the region.

In a statement to *Okaz* published Sunday, the minister said that the coordination of financial policies among the Gulf Arab states is one of the objectives of the economic treaty signed by these states. This coordination will be a prelude to the creation of a Gulf common market, he added.

Aba Al-Khail emphasized industrial coordination and said it would enable the region to set up profitable industries. He added that there would be a steering committee for industrial coordination, which can undertake industrial ventures with the capitals of all Arab states of the Gulf.

King greets Baudouin

RIYADH, Nov. 15 (SPA) — King Khalid Sunday cabled his congratulations to King Baudouin I of Belgium on the Dynasty Day of that country.

In his cable, the monarch expressed his best wishes for the personal well-being of the Belgian ruler and continued progress and success of the friendly people of Belgium.

Two colleges planned

RIYADH, Nov. 15 (SPA) — Minister of Education Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khuwair has ordered the opening of two colleges in Jizan and Jouf. The colleges, which will be opened during the current academic year, will train teachers for the primary stage.

Taif organizes plantation week

TAIF, Nov. 15 — More than 2,500 students and boyscouts will soon take part in a plant-a-tree week here, *Al-Bilad* reported Sunday. A sum of SR100 million has been allocated in the municipality's current budget for the beautification of the city.

Mayor Hassan Hajra held a meeting on the afforestation week Saturday. The meeting was attended by officials of all government departments, public service organizations and school directors. The mayor said that 30 sites in various districts will be handed over within a week for the afforestation. The Agriculture and Water Ministry's branch has donated 15,000 saplings for the event.

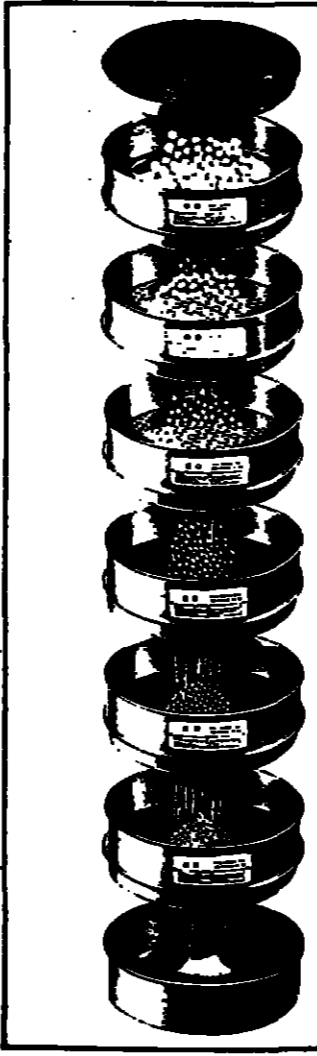
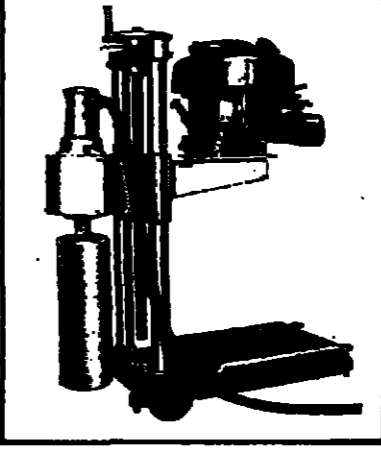
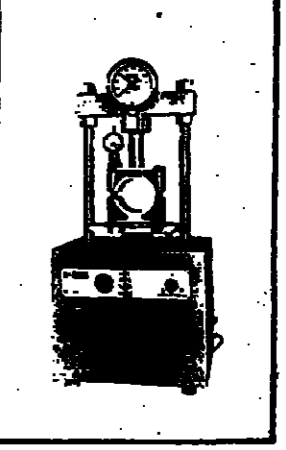
The municipality is at present considering the creation of artificial falls and a zoo this year. The location of the zoo is yet to be determined.

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Contracts signed for all basic industries--Nazer

JUBAIL, Nov. 15 (SPA) — Contracts have been concluded for all basic industries undertaken by either Petromin or the Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC), according to Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer Sunday. He said that most basic industries projects under construction are nearing completion.

He made the statement after completing an inspection tour of various industrial installations at Madinat Al-Jubail Al-Sinaiyah (Jubail industrial city) Sunday, accompanied by Posts, Telegraph and Telephones Minister Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal and Deputy Planning Minister and Member of the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu Dr. Faisal Bashir.

Kayyal and Bashir also commended the achievements they witnessed at Jubail city and said that they will serve present and future generations. The most important aspect in these projects is that they will create qualified Saudi Arabian personnel.

The officials were welcomed at Jubail airport by Dr. Farouk Akhdar, secretary general of the royal commission and director of Jubail industrial projects.

Gazzaz sponsors 'fire' exhibition

By Alan Kenney

JEDDAH, Nov. 15 — Officiating for Prince Majed, Humaid Hamadi opened an exhibition of historical lighters — with examples of lighters from the prehistoric flint type to the present electric lighters — at the Meridien Hotel here. Also attending the function was France's Ambassador to the Kingdom, Michel Dumez.

The exhibition is sponsored by S.T. Dupont and Hussein Gazzaz, and marks the introduction of Dupont lacquered products to the Kingdom.

Patrick Chalhouh, commercial manager for Chalhouh, Inc., said Saudi Arabia — and especially Jeddah — is an important market for luxury products. He said Saudi Arabians who enjoy luxury merchandise provide a strong market for sales, even though the

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The tour began with an inspection of the workers' housing zones where they were briefed on the area. The inspection included L'luo district which comprises 600 housing units for married personnel. It has been provided with all basic service facilities.

After a visit to the shore, the ministers proceeded to the Huwaylat district to see its 1,000 housing units. They also inspected the district's 100-bed hospital, in addition to various clinics and medical facilities.

They reviewed progress of work at the Fananeer district housing project, after visiting the Jubail Industrial Project's administrative building. They were briefed on the functions of the administration and a proposed project for the training center.

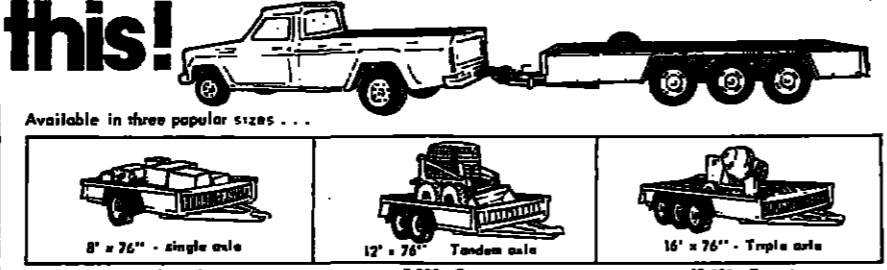
Before resuming their inspection tour, the ministers attended a luncheon party given in their honor by the royal commission. Nazer is also the vice-chairman of the royal commission for Jubail and Yanbu which is chaired by Crown Prince Fahd.

Their afternoon tour included a field visit to the Jubail Fertilizer Company, the Saudi Methanol Company and the Saudi Iron and Steel Company.

market is not growing as fast as in the past.

And in Jeddah, one of the main gateways of Saudi Arabia, people are buying all the new products that are introduced into the market, he added. Chalhouh said he considers that the new product can achieve 50 percent of the market in luxury lighters. The products of this type are used mainly for gifts by many people he added.

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Custom tariff increase aids local products

RIYADH, Nov. 15 (SPA) — In an attempt to protect and encourage national industry, the Council of Ministers has decided to increase custom's on some imported goods and commodities because of the availability of similar industries in the Kingdom with an output covering the domestic market and conforming to international specifications.

Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Algosaihi said Sunday that the move is designed to protect and encourage the domestic products, and compete with similar imported goods with the aim of providing the best. The council of ministers' decision increased custom fees on the imports of dry cell batteries, edible salt, matches and other products from 0.02 percent.

Algosaihi said that the decision reflects the confidence placed in the national industries' ability to meet the demands.

Oil spills debated in Alkhobar

By Alkhobar Bureau

ALKHOBAR, Nov. 15 — An oil spill seminar began here Sunday under the auspices of the Oil Field Chemicals Company at Alkhobar's Al-Gosaibi Hotel.

Fifty engineers, contingency planners, on-scene commanders, and technical advisers are attending the three-days series of lectures by Dr. Gordon Lindblom, a biologist working at the Exxon chemical technology division in Houston, Texas. They include representatives from Aramco, the Saudi Ports Authority, MEPA, and UPM's Research Institute.

This is the eleventh such world-wide seminar given by Lindblom who was active in combating the Hasbani and Ixtoc spills over the past two years. "There is a lot of mis-

understanding about oil spill chemicals," he told Arab News.

Lindblom said that chemicals used to disperse oil have changed since the Torrey Canyon spill 14 years ago when chemicals employed to fight spills were toxic.

Oil Field Chemicals Company, sponsor of Lindblom's talks along with Essochem/Exxon Chemicals, is a joint venture between Essochem Belgium, an affiliate of the Exxon corporation, and Ahmad Algosaihi and Bros.

Their plant at Dammam's industrial estate, which came onstream 33 months ago, has a capability of producing 6-8 million gallons per year of oil production chemicals and dispersants. It is the only plant in the Kingdom to produce oil spill chemicals, said Leslie Wallace, the company's managing director.

Lecture focuses on immunology

By Scott Pendleton

RIYADH, Nov. 15 — An eminent U.S. scientist Dr. Ivar Giaever led a discussion on "Surface Physics and Immunology" at Riyadh University Sunday.

Giaever has been working in the field of immunology in the U.S., where he has developed a new blood test for detecting disease. Other such tests exist, but Giaever hopes his will prove to be faster, cheaper and readily used in the field. His test could be of great use in Third World countries, he believes. It has already drawn attention from international health organizations for possible use in detecting schistosomiasis, which is sometimes called "the great neglected disease," Giaever says.

Giaever is visiting the Kingdom as the recipient of the first "Edison Award" sponsored by General Electric Co. USA and Riyadh University. The award is given to one American and one Saudi scientist each year who has done research of benefit to Third World countries. The scientist visits the other country to discuss his specialty with members of universities and technical organizations, intending to foster cooperation and technology transfer.

Saudia's jumbos increase to six

JEDDAH, Nov. 15 (SPA) — The number of Boeing 747 Jumbo planes purchased by Saudia, the national carrier, reached six, according to official reports Sunday. The aircraft are powered with Rolls Royce 534S engines which have a thrust power of 51,000 pounds during take-off. The engines are also supplied to Saudia's SP (special performance) run on its Jeddah-New York non-stop route.

The airline will take delivery of four Jumbo planes next year. Its present fleet also comprises 17 TriStar planes equipped with the 534S engines. Saudia Director Capt. Ahmed Mattar flew the first of the Boeing series from Seattle, USA, to Jeddah last March.

IDB funded dam opens in Africa

CAMEROON, Nov. 15 (SPA) — Cameroonian President Ahmad Ahidjo dedicated Sunday the Sanghoro dam, jointly financed by the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank, the Saudi Fund for Development, Kuwait Fund for Development and the Government of Qatar. The dam which will produce 260 megawatts of electricity, is one of the projects financed by the IDB. The bank's president Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali attended the opening ceremony.

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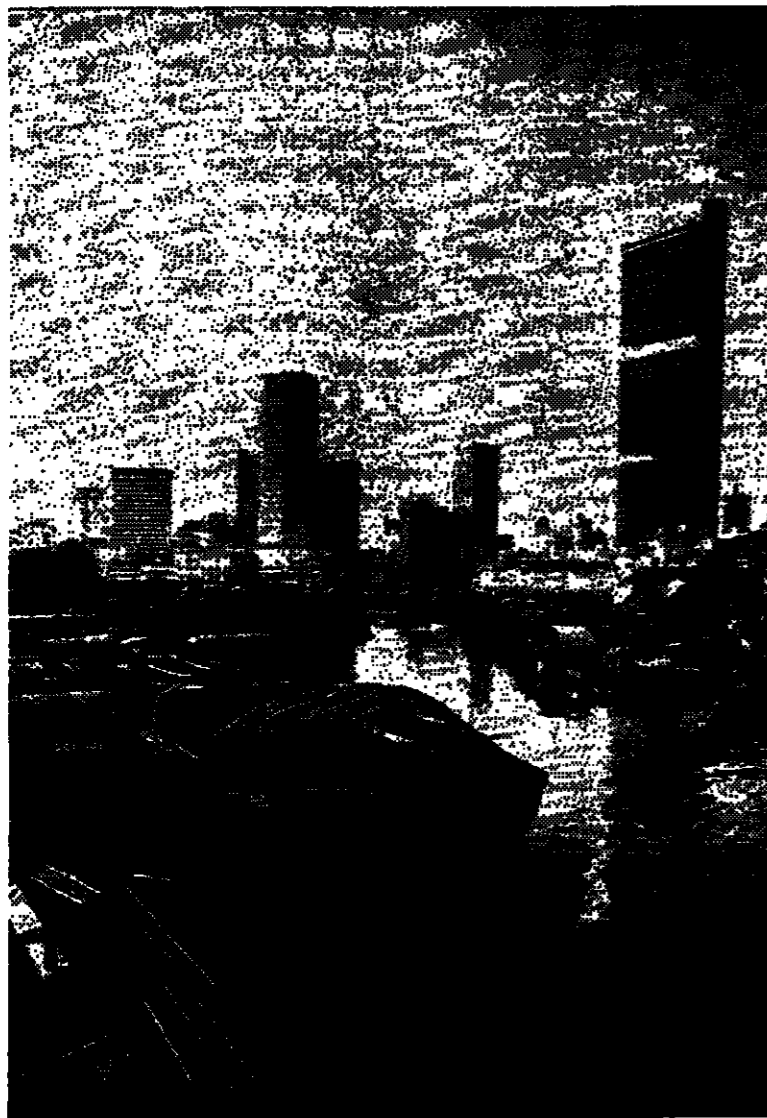
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Wazzan warns of Israeli attack on South Lebanon

ABU DHABI, Nov. 15 (Agencies) — Lebanese Prime Minister Shafiq Wazzan was quoted by a United Arab Emirates (UAE) newspaper Sunday as warning that Israel might attack South Lebanon after it had been "cornered" by Saudi Arabia's Middle East peace formula.

In an interview with the semi-official daily *Al-Ihtidaj* Wazzan said that the peace plan, which has been denounced by the Zionist state, has "actually cornered Israel which could drive it to commit a folly either against the south (of Lebanon) or against other parts of the Arab region."

The Saudi Arabian plan calls for the creation of a Palestinian state and Israeli withdrawal from all territory occupied in the 1967 Middle East war.

Wazzan indirectly criticized new Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak for not abandoning the U.S.-sponsored Camp David peace agreements with Israel which are opposed by almost all the Arab world, including Lebanon.

"Lebanon is perhaps the major victim of Camp David," Wazzan said.

Wazzan's warning followed a similar warning by three UAE newspapers Sunday

against possible Israeli military action against the Arabs in the coming days in order to change the balance of power in the area. The newspapers said that tension is mounting in southern Lebanon following the approval of almost all the Arab countries of the Saudi peace plan and implicit Western reaction that the plan deserves a serious study.

Al-Ihtidaj said, "It seems strange to talk about aggression when there is an increased talk about peace and settlements. We should note that peace talks should not be limited to the Arabs while talks about war should not stem only from the enemy."

The paper added that "Israel needs to test the Egyptian leaders following the changes that took place there and this test will not be realized for Israel except if it attacks Arab fronts while the Egyptian front remains silent."

Al-Wahda said, "Israel which doesn't want real and just peace in the area, is becoming hysterical not because the Saudi plan was accepted but because it felt that the Arabs are moving in the right path and this will open for them the road to the desired future."

Al-Wahda added that "Israel is moving



Shafiq Wazzan

into two directions to prevent the Arabs from reaching positive results, first to exert pressure on the West and the U.S. in particular in order to force them to rescind their approval of the Saudi plan."

The second direction, the paper added, is "to prepare for a military operation in order to impose a new status quo in the area thus making the next Arab summit conference in Fez due later this month a total failure."

Al-Fajr called for high level Arab moves to stop the Israeli aggressive schemes "so that the world knows who seeks peace and who seeks war in the area."

Kabul spurns Iran's peace proposal for Afghanistan

MOSCOW, Nov. 15 (Agencies) — Kabul rejects "totally and categorically" the peace plan for Afghanistan proposed by Iran last month, the Soviet news agency Tass said Sunday.

The Iranian plan "is a flagrant and undisguised interference in the internal affairs of Afghanistan," M.S. Daneshdjo, an official in the Afghan Foreign Ministry, told a press conference in Kabul Sunday.

He called on Iranian officials to "accept the Afghan revolution as it is, to cease any attempt to impose the political and religious conceptions of the past on the Afghan people and to sit down around the negotiating table with the Afghan government to normalize relations between the two countries."

The Iranian plan, outlined by Tehran officials again last Tuesday, calls for the withdrawal of Soviet troops who would be replaced with an Islamic peacekeeping force. It also calls for the regime of Babrak Karmal to be replaced by a revolutionary council of Afghan clergy until an independent constituent assembly is elected.

Meanwhile in Karachi, immigration officials said Saturday that Afghans deported by West European countries are arriving in Pakistan at the rate of about 200 a month seeking political asylum.

Several students arrested W. Bank unrest in 2nd week

TEL AVIV, Nov. 15 (Agencies) — Violent protest by young Palestinians in the occupied West Bank against the changeover from military to Israeli civilian rule there entered its second week Sunday with further arrests of schoolchildren and the start of a hunger strike by scores of university students.

Students at Najah University in Nablus were staging a sit-in hunger strike on the campus this weekend to protest against the closing for two months of the Palestinian university at Bir Zeit by the military on Nov. 4 following demonstrations against the administrative changeover by its 2,000 students.

The hunger strikers have said they intend to continue their fast "as long as is necessary," Palestinian sources indicated.

Israeli military sources said several students were arrested in an anti-Israeli demonstration on the West Bank Sunday. The sources said troops moved in to make the arrests after students from a high school in Nablus smashed the windows of an Israeli vehicle.

Two Arab-owned books stores in Ramallah were closed by security forces for selling what the Israel army radio said was "illegal literature." The radio said some 300 books are banned "for reasons of incitement" in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

In Jenin, two local officials and three residents were detained for security reasons, the radio reported.

By Libyan union

Arab oil ban on U.S. urged

TRIPOLI, Nov. 15 (AP) — The Libyan oil workers' union has called for an Arab petroleum embargo against the United States to protest the presence of American troops in Arab countries, Libya's Jana news agency reported.

The union also condemned the U.S. military exercise in the Middle East, Bright Star.

In an appeal to all Arab States Saturday, the Union of Petroleum, Mining and Chemical Workers said: "You must rebel against American exploitation and decide on petroleum embargo against America, which uses our petroleum to run its airplanes and fleets against us."

An embargo by Libya alone would not have much impact. The United States currently imports less than 5 percent of its oil from Libya.

Libyan ruler Col. Muammar Qaddafi has often called for an oil embargo against the United States. Libya has been upset by the U.S. war games in neighboring Egypt, however, and could be considering some form of retaliation, observers said.

Opposition group supports Mubarak

CAIRO, Nov. 15 (R) — Egypt's tiny opposition leftist group, the Unionist Progressive Party (UPP), said Sunday it supported President Hosni Mubarak and expressed willingness to cooperate with him. Party leader Khaled Moheldin, after a meeting with Mubarak, told reporters: "Our party supports Mr. Mubarak's policies where Egypt's national interests are concerned."

He said the meeting, which lasted more than one hour, was positive and paved the way for occasional dialogue between the UPP and the ruling power.

The party's leader in a recent interview stated clearly his willingness to cooperate with Mubarak even in major foreign issues such as the peace treaty with Israel which the UPP strongly opposed.

Chinese aide holds Pakistan talks

ISLAMABAD, Nov. 15 (AP) — Yang Dezhi, Chinese vice defense minister and army general staff chief, arrived in Pakistan Sunday for a six-day visit and immediately held talks with top army officers.

China in recent years has been a major arms supplier to Pakistan, which sought diversified sources of weapons after an American cutoff in 1965. However, it was not known whether Yang came to discuss any new transfers of arms or military technology.

Yang, 71, met with Gen. Muhammad Iqbal Khan, chairman of Pakistan's joint chief of staff committee, and other senior officers to discuss bilateral matters, an official spokesman said.

Later, the Chinese general held a round of talks with Gen. Sawar Khan, vice chief of staff, and another with Adm. Aramant Niaz, chief of naval staff. No details were disclosed.

As Libyans continue pullout Peace force arrives in Chad

NOJAMENA, Nov. 15 (AP) — The first contingent of inter-African peacekeeping troops arrived in this city's civilian airport Sunday as Libyan troops stood only yards away waiting to board flights home.

Approximately 301 paratroopers based in Kinshasa, Zaire, disembarked from an Air Zaire DC-10 civilian jetliner at 0300 GMT. A Zairean C-130 Hercules military transport arrived about 15 minutes earlier carrying an undetermined number of troops and supplies.

The chief of staff of Chad's new Integrated National Army (AIN), said he expected Nigerian troops to arrive later in the day. A Nigerian Air Force C-130 was seen landing as the Zaire troops were disembarking, but it could not be immediately determined whether peacekeeping troops were aboard.

The Zairean contingent is the first of an inter-African peacekeeping force expected to number between 5,000 and 6,000 men. Senegal, Togo, Benin and Guinea are also

expected to send troops.

The Zairean commander, Lt. Col. Amla-Lokima, said he did not know where the Chadians planned to base his men.

Libyan troops have been occupying a military air base and camp in Nojama since they arrived last December to help Chadian President Goukouni Oueddei drive rebel forces led by former Defense Minister Hissne Habre out of the capital. The Organization of African Unity has offered to field a peacekeeping force in Chad to replace the Libyans. This is the first peacekeeping force fielded by OAU since it was founded in 1963.

The Libyan troops are leaving amid unconfirmed reports that Habre's Armed Forces of the North (FAN) have retaken Adre on the Sudanese border, and Gareda, about 96 kms north. Habre's forces are also reported to be advancing on Abeche, a regional capital about 160 kms inside eastern Chad from the Sudanese border. All three towns were previously controlled by Libyan forces.

BRIEFS

BEIRUT, (R) — An Eritrean group fighting the Ethiopian government for the independence of Eritrea claimed Saturday to have killed 950 Eritrean soldiers and driven back government forces 70 kms in a counter offensive. The Eritrean People's Liberation Front (EPLF) said its forces killed 950 Ethiopian soldiers, wounded 1,265 and captured 43 in the first five days of the fighting which started last Sunday.

DOHA, (AFP) — South Yemeni President Ali Nasser Muhammad and the ruler of Qatar Sheikh Khalifa Bin Hamad Al Thani Sunday discussed the Gulf situation, relations between their countries and the upcoming Arab summit in Morocco, it was announced.

ISTANBUL, (AP) — Turkish security forces have arrested 39 alleged members of the outlawed Turkish Communist Party (TKP) in separate operations in the Istanbul area recently, a military source reported Sunday.

TEHRAN, (AFP) — Ayatollah Alameh Tabatabai, an eminent Iranian theologian died Sunday in the holy city of Qom, the Pars news agency reported. He was 78.

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Video, cable TV threaten cinema owner's livelihood

By Paul Radford

LONDON, (R) — Cinema owners, their "Full House" signs mostly gathering dust, are wondering whether booming sales of video recorders will soon force them to pull down the "Showing Next Week" boards as well.

At a recent video festival in the French resort of Cannes, experts predicted there would be 17 million video cassette recorders (VCRs) around the world by the end of this year, with the figure soaring to 45 million by 1984.

The cinema owners are worried that this will cause a new slump in their attendances, which have slipped badly since the halcyon post-war days in industrial countries when the release of a new film virtually guaranteed a box office bonanza.

In Britain alone, the number of cinema seats sold plummeted from 1.6 billion in 1946 to less than 100 million last year, according to the government's Department of Trade.

Recently a slumped-down world cinema industry seemed to be recovering from the almost devastating competition posed first by black-and-white and then by color television. Most countries report that the number of cinema screens has remained stable or even risen slightly over the past decade.

The cinema industry, its bravado well rehearsed by the challenges it has met and survived in the past 30 years, insists it will not go under, but some pundits say VCRs and the added threat to many cinemas of cable television pose a challenge which could prove fatal this time.

VCRs and cable TV offer viewers the luxury of watching the latest films without having to leave the comfort of their own sitting rooms.

With a VCR they can borrow films from

video clubs for showing on their own television sets while cable TV broadcasts a wide selection of films for a monthly subscription costing little more than the price of a single movie ticket.

The impact on cinemas from the mushrooming video industry has yet to be properly felt but analysts expect the first major signs of distress to appear in the United States and Britain.

They say cable television poses the potentially greater threat. But so far it has made little headway outside the U.S., where it now reaches more than 11 million homes, up from 500,000 in 1975, according to the National Cable Television Association (NCTA).

However, the NCTA says there is no evidence yet to show that people are staying from the cinema because of cable TV.

Cinema audiences in the U.S. have actually risen this year by six percent, though theater owners say the figures are distorted by the unusual success of a handful of films and that the general trend is down.

Industry analysts say the effect of video recorders has been complicated by a recent appeal court ruling that home taping of television violated U.S. copyright law.

The decision, which could have a catastrophic effect on VCR sales, took the industry by surprise and manufacturers are likely to challenge it in the supreme court.

The question of copyright infringement is also expected to crop up in Britain where cinemas are already going through a rough time.

One major exhibitor, the Rank Organization, says its chain of cinemas, which numbered 596 in 1950, is now down to barely more than 200.

Sales of VCRs in Britain are expected to triple this year to 800,000 and rise to about a

million a year in the next three or four years. Pilot cable television plans reach 170,000 homes in London.

Industry analysts say the new competition could be the last straw, particularly for the small local cinemas which could disappear completely by the end of the decade.

Though VCR sales are also rising rapidly in West Germany, the country can boast an increase in the number of cinemas to 3,354 last year from 3,070 in 1977.

But the cinema has been shielded from cable television competition because the government fears its introduction would lead to a lowering of cultural standards.

It could be a lot longer before the video boom reaches developing countries like India where VCRs are virtually unheard of and cost around \$6,000 to be privately imported.

Cinemas there are doing better business than ever and for the majority of the population represent the cheapest and sometimes the only source of commercial entertainment.

India produces 600 films a year, more than any other country, and most run for weeks in the nation's 11,000 cinemas, an increase from 3,250 in 1951.

One country apparently feeling the pinch is Singapore where cinema owners say spiraling VCR sales have cut their audiences by more than 25 percent.

The owners have met the challenge by increasing prices and developing the areas around the theaters into shopping and office complexes, measures which they say have stopped revenue falling.

It is generally agreed that VCRs and cable television pose more problems for the cinemas than for the film makers.

Frank Rosenfelt, chairman and chief executive of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Films said the industry could benefit from the video



TELLY SAVALAS: One of his claims to fame is the "perk" he demanded, a job for brother George.

Actors 'perks' add on to movie-making costs

LOS ANGELES (AFP) — Film and television stars are constantly announcing ever more fabulous contracts, but often nothing at all is said about additional side benefits, or "perks," that they demand — and get.

A television network director, who like his colleagues refuses to be quoted when talking about "perks," said: "Actors and actresses these days use them as ego builders."

Te fact is that the bigger the "perk," the greater is the holder's prestige, and the higher in Hollywood's hierarchy.

Hollywood moguls often think back nostalgically to the days when stars were not so demanding as they are today.

One would be happy with a clause in his contract agreeing that he need not shoot a film when major baseball matches were being played, while another was glad that he could take an hour off shooting each day.

All that has changed. Today it is more likely that a star will insist on having a "mobile home" to rest in during shooting sessions. The value of this "perk" is \$600 a week, for an average period of eight months — or a total of \$19,000.

Another actress might demand a complete new wardrobe, including a servant and a hairdresser, or another will get first class airline tickets to anywhere in the world.

With this kind of "perks" an actor can look any other actor in the eyes without flinching — he knows that he is tops.

Naturally, these favors end up by swelling the production costs. But sometimes there is worse to come. One actor might insist that if at any time a co-actor is given an additional "perk," then he gets one as well. In this way, actors can blackmail producers with ever-inflated demands. But "perks" are not always measured in hard cash.

Some television stars want to be made "story editor," enabling them to have a degree of control over their scripts. The title also comes with a nice fat salary.

Actors who have not yet reached stardom, but are clearly on their way, can get another kind of "perk" or prop to their pride, by having a parking place reserved for their cars in a choice site. Their final aim — a parking spot a few steps from their "mobile home."

Other pretty "perks" include a rented Rolls Royce; Meals flown in from favorite restaurants, or a job for a relative or friend.

Television star Telly Savalas, or "Kojak," is often given as an example of this type of nepotism for insisting on hiring his brother George at \$10,000 a series.

"Perks" will continue as long as productions keep on being money-spinners.

Soviet children lack toys, clothes, boots

MOSCOW, (AFP) — Soviet children, although outrageously spoiled by their "Babushki" (grandmothers), are facing tough times ahead as toys are scarce. The Commun-

ist party newspaper Pravda admitted that in addition to a lack of toys, there was also a shortage of children's clothes and winter boots.

Pravda editorials lately have been lashing out at the dangers of a nuclear war and new sacrifices to be made by Soviets, but a recently editorial suddenly took up the cause of toddlers.

"Their needs are far from being satisfied," it complained. It listed other shortages as school books, sports equipment and children's bicycles.

Letters from readers express concern over the situation, which they fear will worsen with some factories producing children's goods going over to other products.

Pravda urged that that it was "time to reverse this move and start concentrating on children's needs... reaching the same standards of quality as found abroad."

Recently, some 200 factories started manufacturing copies of a Western toy with surprising results, for small Soviet children are now playing with models of an American farm which is a far cry from a Soviet Kolkhoz (communal state farm).

Antique post card collecting catches on -- sell for \$3,000

PARIS, (AP) — An untrained eye might not spot the rarity of the fading chorus girl on a post card from the turn of the century. An expert would know it is worth more than 5,000 francs (about \$1,000).

The small card is a reproduction of a Toulouse-Lautrec poster, a top-of-the-line item in the booming trade in antique post cards. With prices ranging from a few francs up to 16,500 francs (\$3,000) post card collecting has come long way since it began 112 years ago in Austria. Old post cards are offered the beauty of fine art, rate of old coins and a price range that almost anybody can afford. In France, there are an estimated 200,000 collectors and their ranks are swelling. After the new socialist government introduced laws taxing the personal wealth of the nation's richest 200,000 individuals,

antique stores on the left bank reported increases in sales of expensive post cards.

"The popularity started about 10 years ago and until about a year ago antique post cards were appreciating at about 50 percent a year," said Jean-Francois Jehano, an expert in the field. "It's slowed down somewhat and now the appreciation rate is about 30 percent, but you can find cards that can double in price in six months."

Since 1975, Jehano has organized the international post card exposition every other year at Paris' swank hotel George V that draws sellers and buyers from around the world.

"Paris is really the capital for this," said Rita Nadler, an American post card dealer. "There's no city that has this much." Paris has about 220 shops dealing in

antique post cards, and dozens of post card stalls around the city, along the banks of the Seine and in the city's flea market.

"Collecting post cards is not a hobby. It's a disease," said Mrs. Nadler. "I've been doing it for about 20 years and have more than 200,000 cards in my personal collection. But I know some collectors who have more than a million cards."

There are post cards marking the invention of the telephone, the automobile, the airplane. The faces of former world leaders grace some cards while others recall wars, rebellions and forgotten political causes.

There are animal cards, boat cards, train cards, coin cards and the list goes on.

"There's a field of cards for almost any subject you can think of," said Daphne Abel, a post card dealer from Hove, Eng-

land, who traveled to Paris for the show.

Some noted photographers produced cards depicting daily life. A card at the George V show, which showed a shoeshine man at work in Paris around 1908, sold for 400 francs (\$73) while a 1908 card of a Parisian peanut salesman with his wares spread before him brought 800 francs (\$156).

Another card of that era, considered rare because a woman held the reins of a dog cart, was priced at 1,500 francs (\$280).

Some cards are funny.

A French card circa 1920, which sold for 10 francs (\$1.80) shows a young mother with an infant on her lap, a small boy asks, what a fine baby for six months.

Most of the old cards cost less than 275 francs (\$50), with the average price in

France and the United States estimated at between 11 francs (\$2) and 55 francs (\$10) a card.

The higher prices are reserved for numbered post card series by well-known publishing houses or photographers. One set of 10 cards, telling a story of a French boy who goes from rags to riches by opening a post card stand recently sold for about 1,400 francs (\$250).

The highest price paid for a card was in the United States a year ago when an Alphonse Mucha illustration of a bicycle advertisement sold for \$227.

"Pricing is sometimes difficult to establish," said Yves Di Maria, who owns a post card shop in Paris. "You may think you have a fairly rare card and then six copies of it will show up."

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France to update nuclear force

PARIS, Nov. 15 (R) — France's Socialist government, determined to strengthen the country's independent nuclear force, has ordered development of new tactical and strategic missile systems and construction of a seventh nuclear missile-firing submarine.

Defense Minister Charles Hernu announced the new weapons Friday night in a parliamentary debate on the 1982 budget, which increases defense spending by 17.8 percent. A high proportion of the rise will go to the nuclear force.

Hernu said France, taken out of NATO's defense structure by President Charles de

Gaulle in 1966, needed to modernize its nuclear strike force rapidly in order to present a credible deterrent to a potential enemy.

The new systems, approved at a meeting of the National Defense Council headed by President Francois Mitterrand this week, include a land-based mobile missile which will eventually replace the ageing Mirage IV bomber in the French strategic strike force. The new tactical missile will replace the existing Pluto system when it reaches the end of its life, Hernu said.

He gave no further details of the weapon

but defense sources said some 50 million francs (\$9 million) were earmarked next year for development of the new weapon, code-named Hades, and that it was due in service in 1992.

The daily *Le Monde* quoted a Socialist parliamentarian with defense responsibilities as saying two Hades missiles would be mounted on a wheeled vehicle, giving greater mobility than the Pluto, which is carried on a tracked launcher.

Hades would have a 200 kms range compared with Pluto's 100 kms reach, *Le Monde* said. The French defense forces are currently studying possible development of enhanced radiation, or neutron warheads.

The defense minister also announced that France's seventh nuclear-powered submarine with atomic missiles has been ordered, with a delivery date set in the mid-1990s.

U.K. court holds up spy disclosure

LONDON, Nov. 15 (AP) — A high court judge has issued an injunction preventing *The Sunday Times* from publishing fresh allegations concerning members of the Soviet spy ring controlled by Anthony Blunt, disgraced former art adviser to Queen Elizabeth II, the paper reported.

It said the allegations concern the activities of Communist activists who lived in the United States and moved in the upper echelons of American political life.

Without specifying whether the men were British or American, the paper said they had close ties with both the White House and the United Nations and, "on at least one occasion, helped write a speech for a former American vice president," who was not identified.

The injunction, *The Sunday Times* said, runs until Thursday and restrains it from naming anyone involved in the allegations.

But it said one man flew into London late Friday night — without stating from where — when he heard the paper intended to publish details of his alleged espionage activities, and met for three hours with lawyers in a downtown hotel.

The paper said that at that meeting, the man "flatly denied" allegations apparently contained in documents from the U.S. State Department and intelligence services.

An injunction against publication was subsequently granted Saturday by high court judge Kenneth Graham Jupp from his home outside London, the paper said.

The Sunday Times, one of Britain's most respected newspapers, renowned for its penetrative research, said American authorities had been advised by British intelligence to investigate the allegations but "apparently did not bother... until the 1940s."

A *Sunday Times* journalist, who asked not to be named, told the Associated Press that the paper had "a long story prepared for publication" Sunday but was virtually "stopped in its tracks" from going ahead by the court order. "I cannot tell you any more," he added.

It was *The Sunday Times* which earlier this month resurrected the scandal of Soviet infiltration of Britain's intelligence services by disclosing that former military intelligence officer, Leo Long, was a member of Blunt's spy ring. Long later admitted the allegations.

The Long affair was the latest in a string of damaging reports about suspected Soviet double agents and rekindled allegations that Soviet infiltration was more extensive than successive British governments have admitted.

Blunt was unmasked in 1964 and given immunity prosecution. But authorities did not publicly name him as a Soviet agent until 1979.

Last week, despite demands by angry legislators charging an establishment cover-up to protect unmasked double agents who may

Spain to burn poisoned oil

LEON, Spain, Nov. 15 (R) — Two million liters (444,000 gallons) of poisoned cooking oil which has killed 194 Spaniards since May will be burned in a power station near this northern town, official sources said Sunday.

It will take about two weeks from Monday to destroy the poison, a mixture of olive oil and rapeseed oil treated for industrial use and sold fraudulently as cheap edible oil.

The civil governor of Leon said experiments had shown the oil could be burned without any danger to the public, but a Socialist parliamentarian for the province said he would oppose the burning for fear of contamination.

Trudeau softens stand on constitution accord

QUEBEC, Nov. 15 (AFP) — Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau has spent a large part of his weekend here, seeking compromises with Quebec, whose provincial government was the only one to refuse to sign an agreement reached 10 days ago on a constitution and charter of rights.

The accord which calls for patriation of the British North America Act, signed in 1867, has been used as Canada's constitution. It is currently in the British Parliament which must vote to return it. Trudeau's drive to give Canada its own constitution and a bill of rights has led to a new disagreement between Ottawa and Quebec.

In an attempt to soften the province's antagonism toward the agreement before the ruling Parti Quebecois can win a Nov. 19 provincial parliament vote formally opposing it, Trudeau Saturday said he was prepared to consider a number of changes.

Speaking before 2,000 members of the Quebec wing of his own ruling Liberal Party, Trudeau said he could agree to the following:

— The first point concerned Quebec's demand that any federal accord should not diminish its powers and that Quebec should,

if necessary, be granted financial compensation. Trudeau said funds could be granted in certain cases if any province refused to sign a clause in a federal program or bill of rights.

— On the second point, the mobility of the work force, Trudeau said he was prepared to discuss guarantees that would prevent massive arrivals of English-speaking workers. But he added that this did not seem "very necessary".

— The third point, which concerns educational rights for linguistic minorities in the provinces, Trudeau said he would agree to the so-called "Canada clause," under which only Canadian citizens could be educated in the language of their choice.

Trudeau did not mention Quebec's demands for official federal recognition of two founding Canadian peoples, the French and the English, the existence of Quebec as a "distinct national community," the "right of the Quebec people to self-determination," and for veto power over the accord.

Trudeau called on the people of Quebec to "choose from two Canadas: That of equality and sharing, or that of inequality, of separatism and of confrontation."

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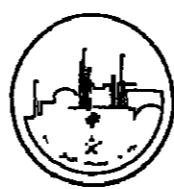
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On sharing Taipei rule

Haig sees new hope in Peking proposal

PALM BEACH, Florida, Nov. 15 (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig has described a Peking offer to share power with Taipei over the Nationalist Republic of China as remarkable and not meaningless. In what was believed to be the Reagan administration's first substantive comment on the nine-point proposal made by Peking to Taipei on Sept. 30, Haig said: "These were rather remarkable points."

Haig noted that Peking's initiative called for peaceful integration, with Taipei retaining its own political, economic and security framework, and he said: "So these were not meaningless proposals."

The Taipei government has rejected the proposals, calling them a propaganda ploy and saying they contained nothing new and were an attempt to subjugate the Nationalists.

In remarks during a question and answer session after making a speech here Saturday, Haig also called the question of U.S. weapons sales to Taipei a worrisome specter on the horizon of American relations with Peking.

Washington is considering a Taipei request for advanced new warplanes, but Chinese officials have threatened to downgrade ties with the United States if the sale is made and

say the issue is a test of Sino-American relations.

Haig told a questioner there was "a very worrisome specter on the horizon and that is the differences between the United States and Peking" on the subject of military assistance to Taipei.

In other replies, he spoke optimistically of relations with the new Greek Socialist government, said biological weapons had been used in Laos and Kampuchea beyond the shadow of a doubt, and confirmed he would soon visit India.

He defended U.S. aid to Pakistan as vital, saying that if the Pakistanis were unarmed and unsupported they would have no alternative but to "adjust their policy to the perception of the tide of Marxist Leninism."

Diplomatic sources say Haig also is likely to visit Pakistan, which he called "the courageous country of Southwest Asia," and perhaps Sri Lanka as well.

While in New Delhi, Haig is expected to discuss controversial negotiations over the future of U.S. sales of nuclear material to India. Talks ended on that issue last week with no sign of agreement, a development that led to renewed speculation that the United States will stop supplying fuel for good.

Haig took credit for the Reagan administration in successfully resolving a stalemate over independence for Namibia, a former German colony which has been administered by South Africa under a mandate granted by the League of Nations in 1919.

"We have changed the character of American diplomacy," Haig said. "We have worked quietly. We have stripped our rhetoric of polemics" against South Africa's system of racial apartheid. "And we have fundamentally changed the attitude of the South African government on Namibian independence," Haig asserted.

Haig said South Africa now accepts a United Nations approach to Namibian independence as well as the prospect of a U.N. peacekeeping force in an independent Namibia.

Mozambican port readies after blast

LISBON, Nov. 15 (R) — Temporary marker buoys are being placed in the entrance channel to Beira harbor, in central Mozambique, to replace several blown up by saboteurs Friday, the official Mozambique news agency AIM has reported. It said the channel would reopen to shipping Monday.

The agency said 10 of the 12 marker buoys were blown up and sunk. Explosive charges placed on the two others failed to detonate. Four men suspected of taking part in the sabotage operation were arrested in Beira Friday and a fifth was killed by security forces at the time of capture, the agency said.

The Mozambique National Resistance

In Colorado quarry

Oldest bird 'discovered'

UTAH, Nov. 15 (AP) — The scientist who found the world's two largest dinosaurs in a Colorado quarry says he has discovered a fossil of the world's oldest known bird in the same dig.

James Jensen, a Brigham Young University paleontologist, called the discovery of a bird's pelvis and two leg bones in the dry mesa area his most exciting find. Jensen discovered what was then the world's largest dinosaur in 1972 and found a bigger one in 1979.

"I've discovered a number of dinosaurs, but there was no controversy about them," he said. "For 120 years, controversy has

surrounded the world's oldest bird." The world's oldest bird has long been considered to be Archaeopteryx, a fossil about the size of a crow that was first found in a quarry in Solnhofen, Germany, in 1861.

Jensen said he and other scientists have challenged whether the Archaeopteryx was a bird, contending its bone structure is that of a dinosaur. The German fossil had feather impressions but lacked the strong breast bone needed to support flight muscles, Jensen said.

Both the German fossil and Jensen's discovery are from quarries dated about 140 million years ago, he said.

Indian Communists pledge to unite

NEW DELHI, Nov. 15 (AFP) — Indian hard-line Communists, in their first major move at national level, have vowed to forget their differences and work for a united Communist Party.

Several leading extremist Communists — or Naxalites, as they are popularly known — Saturday ended their first national convention, a six-day meeting at Naxalbari, birthplace of the Naxalite movement 14 years ago in the Eastern state of West Bengal.

The convention, attended by senior and middle-ranking Naxalite leaders from 14 of the 22 Indian states, was convened by Kanu Sanyal, one of the movement's founder members. After its birth in 1967, the Naxalite movement spread fast to the eastern and southern states, but soon got divided on ideological and personal grounds and lost much of its hold.

Sanyal was released from prison after the Janata (people's) Party came to power in 1977 when about 10,000 Naxalites were released from prison under a general amnesty. The Naxalites had been imprisoned during a crackdown in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

The Naxalbari convention, which independent observers said might herald the beginning of a new and unified Communist movement in India, formed a 13-member central committee with Sanyal as the secretary. The primary task of the committee is to work for unity among "Communist revolutionaries" and set up a "real Communist Party on the basis of Marxism-Leninism and Mao's thoughts."

(MNR), an anti-government group, claimed responsibility through its spokesman in Lisbon for blowing up the buoys. AIM Saturday accused South Africa of being behind the attack.

But in Pretoria, a South African spokesman denied that the republic had any involvement with the MNR. He added: "South Africa harbors no hostile intentions toward neighboring states."

Beira is Mozambique's second largest port and plays a key role in efforts by the member states of the Southern African Development Coordination Conference (SADCC) to build up their road, rail and port network.

Diplomat affair

French furor irks China

PEKING, Nov. 15 (R) — China Sunday accused French diplomat Emmanuel Bellefroid of "whipping up an uproar" over the arrest of his Chinese fiancée and said he had behaved in a way incompatible with his diplomatic status.

Bellefroid's fiancée, dissident artist Li Shuang, was sentenced to two years in a re-education camp after her arrest in September for "incitement to debauchery." She had been living with Bellefroid in a foreign diplomatic compound.

The official New China news Agency (NCNA) said Sunday Chinese authorities had decided not to make public the activities of Bellefroid, who recently left China, because Peking valued its good relations with France.

"It is the hope of the Chinese authorities that such a need will not arise," the agency added, implying that China was prepared to take the case further. The agency said Bellefroid's behavior had been incompatible with his diplomatic status, without giving details.

The agency commentary expressed China's irritation at the furor in the French press over the arrest of 34-year-old Miss Li. The incident clouded the recent visit of

French Foreign Trade Minister Michel Jobert, who unsuccessfully interceded with Chinese leaders on the couple's behalf and then canceled several appointments before leaving.

Accusing the French media of distorting facts about the case, the agency said Bellefroid, 33, had "hidden" Miss Li in his residence for two months. The agency said Miss Li's arrest had "absolutely nothing to do with the relations between China and France."

Anne tours east Nepal

KATHMANDU, Nov. 15 (AP) — Britain's Princess Anne returned here Saturday afternoon by air from Biratnagar, about 225 kms southeast of Katmandu, on completion of her three-day tour of eastern Nepal.

She had spent the last two days at Dhanu, about 72 kms north of Biratnagar, where she visited several projects run with the assistance of the Save the Children Fund (SCF), of which she is president. She left Dhanu this morning on foot for Mulghat, the second time Anne has trekked the 10-mile long Phankuta-mulghat trail. She walked the steep trail Thursday to reach Dhanu.

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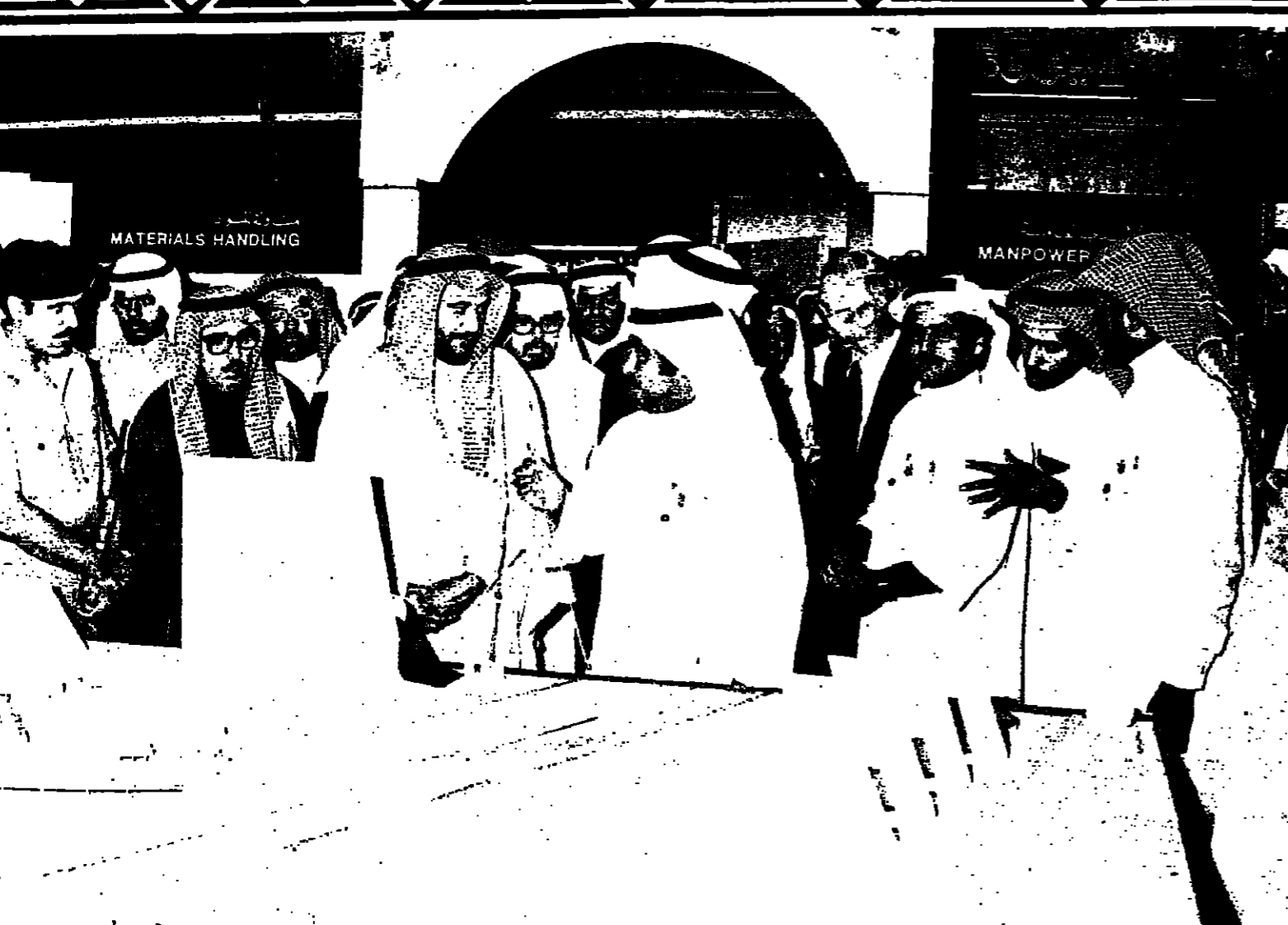


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Sudan acts to bolster economy

KHARTOUM, Nov. 15 (AP) — President Jaafar Numeiri has imposed severe measures to improve Sudan's faltering economy, which diplomats say poses a greater danger than Libya to his pro-Western government.

Merchants selling food above established prices can be fined or flogged after trials by price courts set up in tents in Khartoum's markets.

The vulnerability of Africa's largest nation — slightly larger in area than Western Europe — has led to increased military and economic commitments from the United States. A commitment on military aid came after the assassination Oct. 6 of President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, an ally of Sudan. Numeiri, at the same time, was charging that

Libya was bracing for an attack.

"This country hurts in so many ways it is hard to know where to start," said one Western diplomat, speaking privately and asking not to be identified. "The people are warm by nature and infinitely patient, but even that is taxed when they line up for hours for bread and other necessities. Privation breeds unrest."

Among the main difficulties facing Sudan:

- Inflation estimated at 50 percent.
- A 700-million-dollar gap between imports and exports. Imports cost almost three times as much as Sudan earns from exports.
- A \$1.5 billion debt to Western bankers and nations.

— A drop in the production of cotton, Sudan's main cash crop, from 747,000 bales in 1978-79 to 460,000 last season.

— The burden of more than 500,000 refugees from Sudan's troubled neighbors, including Ethiopia, Uganda and Chad.

— Poor food and commodity distribution because the country has only about 1,600 kilometers (1,000 miles) of paved roads.

Numeiri, concerned over what he termed a "gravely deteriorating" economic situation, fired his cabinet ministers Nov. 9, accusing them of inefficiency or allowing the budget deficit to triple over four years. He announced a 19-point plan to redress the ills, including devaluation of the Sudanese pound, an immediate end of the government subsidy on oil imports and a gradual lifting of subsidies on basic commodities such as sugar and wheat flour. The moves were bound to be unpopular among the Sudanese who consume large quantities of heavily sweetened tea and use wheat in many national dishes.

The International Monetary Fund had urged the removal of the subsidies in order for Sudan to qualify for IMF financial help. Numeiri, a military man who has survived about a dozen coup attempts in 12 years, has accused Libya of attempting to overthrow his regime by sending saboteurs to buy up food staples, hoping the resulting shortages will lead to anti-government riots.

The government recently rounded up more than 10,000 "vagrants and illegal aliens" in the capital and after questioning them, jailed 3,000 on charges of working to destabilize the regime. About 2,000 unlicensed guns also were seized, many of them supplied by Libya, officials claimed.

In addition to the arrests, the government set up price courts in the markets.

Arab parley on growth program set

KUWAIT, Nov. 15 (AP) — Five Arab finance ministers are to meet here Thursday to lay down the framework for the Arab development decade project decreed by the summit conference in Amman last November, a finance ministry spokesman said Sunday.

These ministers will come from Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar and the UAE.

The ministers, he said, also were to examine ways for the oil-rich states to help the oil have-not countries in the Arab world.

The decade development fund, which is to finance the projects that have yet to be blueprinted, has a budget of \$5 billion.

Minister of state for cabinet affairs, Abdel-Aziz Hussein, told reporters after a cabinet meeting that the five countries' contributions to the fund will be as follows: Saudi Arabia 36 percent, Kuwait, 23 percent, the UAE 16 percent, Iraq 15 percent and Qatar 10 percent.

French bid to up TV license fees

PARIS, Nov. 15 (AFP) — The French government is seeking parliamentary approval to increase the price of television licenses by 18 percent — to 280 francs (\$50) for black-and-white sets and 424 francs (\$77) for color.

This is revealed in the 1982 radio-television budget, prepared by the ministry of communications, which will be debated in the National Assembly Monday.

Talks open today EEC to debate budget reform

BRUSSELS, Nov. 15 (AFP) — Reform of the European Economic Community (EEC) and ways for boosting its activities will be main topic when its foreign ministers meet here Monday and Tuesday — but there is little hope of agreement.

The meeting comes less than two weeks before the European council meeting of community government leaders in London on Nov. 26 and 27.

But work by ambassadors and experts from the ten EEC member countries has made little progress on the three major elements of EEC reform. These are: Development of new community policies, reform of the common agricultural policy (CAP), and re-examination of each country's contribution to the community budget.

There is likely to be tough talking over the budget question, as Britain — which holds it is contributing too much — wants to obtain a cut in its payment before handing over the presidency of the council of ministers at the end of December.

Britain is backed by West Germany which also regards its contribution as unacceptably high. British officials see the budget problem as being closely linked to reform of the Cap which accounts for two thirds of EEC's expenditure.

However Britain faces opposition from other members, and particularly those which benefit from the Cap which want budget contributions to be reviewed only in the light of overall development of new policies for energy, the regions and social questions.

But proposals for the development of these new policies remain vague, and while there may be some agreement on the need to reduce the cost of the CAP, there is division on how to achieve this, particularly regarding surplus production of grain and milk.

Broader problems will be raised when West Germany and Italy present a document

entitled "The European act". In this context West Germany believes more attention should be paid to strengthening political union, including the possibility of allowing the council of ministers to debate security matters.

Meanwhile, Italy has stressed the need to develop convergence of economic and monetary policy. In October, France published a memorandum on how to boost community activity.

China plans units to hike exports

PEKING, Nov. 15 (R) — China announced a new program to build factories specializing in export goods in coastal areas such as Shanghai and the southern province of Guangdong.

The New China News Agency said coastal areas had been chosen because they had better communications and higher levels of technical and managerial know-how than elsewhere.

The factories would produce textiles and other light industrial goods and would process raw materials from abroad and agricultural products such as meat, hides and fruit, it added.

Total output value of export goods from the factories was expected to rise by an annual average of 7.8 percent, it said.

The agency said favorable loan, pricing, taxation and credit terms would be granted but it gave no other indication of the size of the program. The government has recently stressed Shanghai, Canton and other relatively advanced cities as key areas in an export drive to earn much-needed foreign exchange.

BRIEFS

TEHRAN, (AFP) — An Indian delegation headed by Deputy Oil Minister Lora Kumar arrived here Saturday for talks on the purchase of Iranian oil and on several matters of bilateral cooperation. The two sides are also expected to raise matters concerning the refinery and petro-chemical complex at Madras in south east India which is jointly owned by the two countries.

SEATTLE, (AFP) — A Japanese aircraft industry delegation will next week visit the headquarters of the Boeing and McDonnell Douglas companies for talks on Japan sharing in the production of a 150-seat plane, executives of the two firms said here. The visitors would include officials from Mitsubishi, Kawasaki and Fuji. A Boeing spokesman said a joint feasibility report had been drawn up.

EINDHOVEN, (AFP) — Philips, the big Dutch electronics group, has said it would

eliminate 2,345 jobs between now and the end of next year at its plants in the Eindhoven region. The workforce in this area currently totals 31,000. Early retirement will be offered to 1,200 people over 57 years of age and 845 people will be sacked.

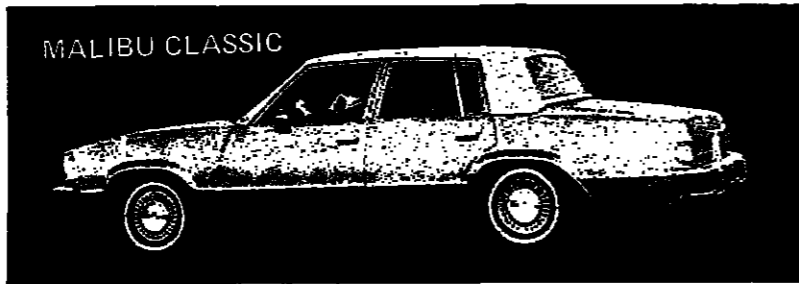
LONDON, (AFP) — Clark's Shoe Company, a major British footwear manufacturer, presented workers' representatives with a "survival program" that would eliminate 1,000 jobs and close two factories. Citing reduced sales and foreign competition in the cheaper lines, director Lance Clark said that production must be cut by more than 20 percent.

PEKING, (AFP) — A West German delegation has arrived here for talks on cooperation on agriculture and the food industry which are expected to result in the signing of an agreement. The New China News Agency Sunday reported.

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Housing slide mars Japan's economic boom

TOKYO, Nov. 15 (R) — In sharp contrast to other booming sectors of the national economy, the Japanese housing industry is in the doldrums with no early relief in sight.

While housing in the United States has been hit by high interest rates and inflation, the industry in Japan has been equally sluggish despite low interest rates and relatively stable overall prices.

Major factors behind the slump in the domestic industry, which is backed by a wide range of businesses and accounts for about seven percent of the gross national product (GNP), are soaring land and construction costs.

Recent predictions by private economic research institutes indicate that the industry will not recover soon. Sumitomo Bank said in a monthly report that Japanese housing starts this year are expected to total 1.15 million, the lowest since 1.2 million in 1968. This compares with an average of about 1.5 million between 1976 and 1979 and a record high of 1.9 million in 1973 before the oil crisis.

Sumitomo bank and other organizations said the current slump also reflected slow real growth in personal incomes, which was

responsible for the sluggish pace in the recovery of overall domestic demand. A two story wooden house with four bedrooms and a fairly long way out of Tokyo now sells for about 33 million yen (\$140,000). The price includes a tiny garden.

Sumitomo bank said a worker in the Tokyo area has to pay about 7.7 times his annual income for a house and six times as much for an apartment.

The housing slump dates back to the 1973-74 oil crisis, which caused large increases in the cost of building material and forced authorities to tighten credit. In 1974, inflation shot up to 24.3 percent against 11.8 percent the previous year, which was due mainly to a housing boom in densely populated city areas.

Interest rates on home loans were lifted to a record 9.48 percent in 1974. These statistics emerged against a backdrop of rising land prices and housing starts that year plunged to 1.31 million, a 31 percent drop over 1973.

The industry had a temporary reprieve between 1976 and 1979 before another round of large increases in imported oil

prices. Although inflation has dropped to about four percent on an annual basis, there has been no significant rise in workers' earnings. This is due mainly to less overtime paid out by industry for energy saving and rationalization reasons.

The government, now under strong pressure from the United States and West Europe to rectify lopsided trade balances in its favor, appears unable to do much to stimulate domestic demand generally. The director-general of Japan's Economic Planning Agency (EPA), Toshio Komoto, said recently the government should work out measures to restore housing starts to an annual level of 1.5 million, but gave no concrete proposals.

Finance ministry officials said that in an effort to stop the housing industry slump, the government had repeatedly urged commercial banks to keep interest rates on home loans at 8.34 percent, compared with the recent peak of 8.88 percent in mid-1980.

The long-term prime lending rate applied for big business was raised 0.4 percentage points this month to 8.9 percent.

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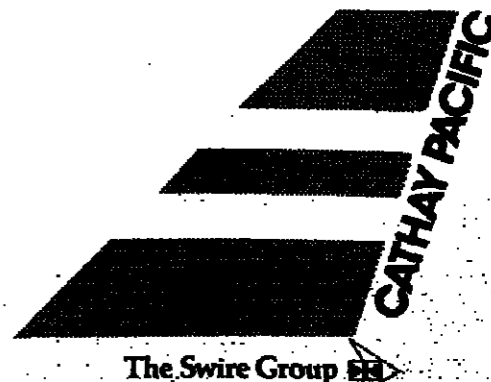
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Oil sales down

Iran economy sinks to new low--Nobari

VIENNA, Nov. 15 (R) — Many U.S. consumer goods are still getting through to Iran but the sophisticated spare parts Tehran needs to rebuild its damaged oil industry are not, according to former Central Bank Governor Ali Reza Nobari.

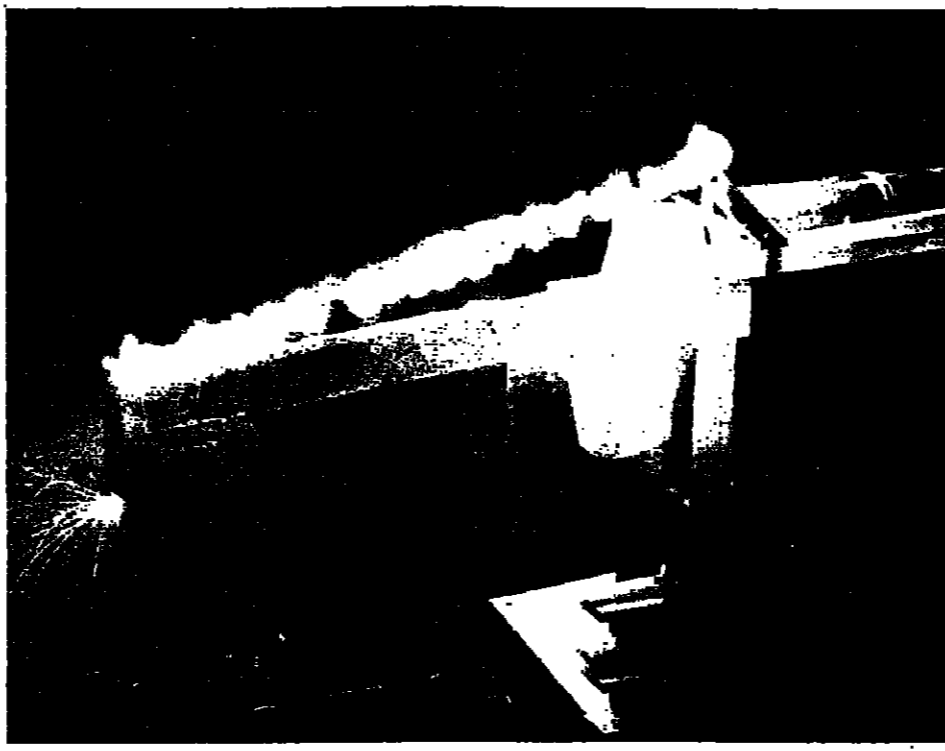
Nobari, who recently fled Iran after living underground there since June, told Reuters that Western countries formerly willing to break a U.S.-led trade embargo were no longer supplying the needed technology. "We used to get our spare parts through friendly Western countries, he said during a stopover in Austria, "but even they are not cooperating now."

"This development, coupled with the continuing war with Iraq, made it impossible for Iran to increase its oil exports in the near future, even though it needs increasing amounts of foreign exchange to pay for its growing imports, he said.

Nobari, one of a team of young, Western-educated Iranians who supported former President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, declined to reveal which Western countries had been selling parts to Iran. He said only that the purchases, coordinated through Iran's Embassy in Vienna, were small states outside Europe with good ties to the United States.

But he said Iran was still importing large quantities of U.S. poultry through Kuwaiti dealers and obtaining most of its wheat imports from the U.S. in a similar way. Romania agreed last month to help Iran rebuild war-damaged oil facilities, but Nobari, who was active in seeking Romanian assistance when U.S. spare parts were embargoed, played down the scope of aid from Bucharest.

The 33-year-old economist, who now lives mainly in France, said Iran's oil exports were down to about 500,000 barrels a day after 4.4 million barrels a day in 1978, the last year under the former Shah.



LIGHTNING STRIKES: The leading edge of a helicopter rotor blade photographed at the moment of impact by a simulated bolt of lightning. This very rare picture was taken at the Colham Lightning Studies Unit in England where scientists study lightning interaction with aircraft. The unit is also working on the effects of lightning strikes on ground structures, underground cables and ships.

Soviets to debate economy

MOSCOW, Nov. 15 (R) — The Soviet Union's third bad harvest in a row will cast a long shadow over Monday's meeting of the Communist Party leadership for its annual review of economic policy.

The 319 full and 151 candidate members of the party central committee, meeting for the first time since the party congress in March, will have little good news to cheer them up.

The central committee meeting has as usual not been announced in advance, but its past routine is followed by General Secretary Leonid Brezhnev will deliver a report on the economy. Other speeches will not be published.

The meeting comes on the eve of a public session of the Supreme Soviet (parliament)

which is due to pass into law the final version of the 1981-85 five-year plan and the one-year plan for next year. The five-year plan guidelines, first published in draft form a year ago, are already starting to look over-optimistic in the light of this year's sluggish industrial growth and bad harvest.

Industrial production, scheduled to rise by 4.1 percent this year, is likely to increase by only 3.3 percent. Labor productivity, supposed to improve 3.6 percent, has so far shown only a 2.6 percent increase.

Though these figures are better than those recorded by most Western nations in the 1981 recession, they mean a loss of momentum at the start of the five-year plan which will be hard to put right later.

Soviet citizens were promised that in the 1980s consumer goods production would rise slightly faster than overall industrial output, but this pledge may now be hard to fulfill. When times are hard the Kremlin traditionally gives priority to heavy industry, viewed as the backbone of the economy.

While industrial performance is less than the Soviet leadership had hoped, the Kremlin's real headaches start in agriculture, where things seem to be going from bad to worse. This year's grain harvest has yet to be announced, but the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates it at 175 million tons and some Soviet sources fear it will drop below 170 million. Soviet hopes that its farming was on a firm footing after a bumper 1978 crop of 237 million tons have been dashed. In 1979 and 1980 the crop was 179 and 189 million tons.

As usual the Russian weather is blamed for most of the damage.

Japan nets \$8b gain from EEC

BRUSSELS, Nov. 15 (AFP) — The European Economic Community's trade deficit with Japan this year totaled \$8.8 billion at the end of October compared with \$7.4 billion for the same period last year, sources close to the community commission have said quoting Japanese Finance Ministry figures.

In the first 10 months of the year Japan's exports to the community rose by 14 percent to \$15.8 billion, while Japan's imports rose by 8.9 percent to \$6.9 billion.

In October alone the community's deficit was \$912 million due to a 5.8 percent increase in Japanese exports to \$1.6 billion and a 2.1 percent fall in the community's exports to \$693 million.

Syria reviews trade zones

DAMASCUS, Nov. 15 (R) — Syria is reviewing the future of its free trade zones, set up after 1971 to attract foreign capital and build an export-oriented industrial sector, Finance Minister Hamdi Al-Saqqa said Sunday.

He told Reuters in an interview that a special study about the zones and their benefit to Syria was being prepared by the Ministry of Economy and Foreign Trade following concern about whether they were meeting their original objectives.

The report would be discussed by a top-level committee headed by Abdel-Qader Qaddoura, the deputy prime minister for economic affairs, probably early next year, Dr. Saqqa said.

The committee would include the ministers of economy, planning, finance, oil, industry, agriculture and supply. The zones were developed as part of economic liberalization measures initiated by President Hafez Al-Assad when he took power in 1970, but many economic experts believe they have not brought the benefits originally hoped for to Syria's state-dominated economy.

According to a government statement published Sunday, Prime Minister Abdul Rauf Al-Kasm has asked to check all new licences for building or expanding industrial plant in the free zones. Goods manufactured under licence from Western companies in Syria's six operating free zones range from cosmetics and toothpaste to medicines and light industrial products.

But the zones, which cover a total of some seven square km (three square miles) have failed to attract foreign medium or heavy industry. Dr. Saqqa said the committee would decide whether to expand or reduce the role of the zones and whether to change existing regulations covering them. "At the moment we get no tax benefit from them and they are a drain on our skilled labor. The profits are mostly going abroad," he stated.

Economy and Foreign Trade Minister Muhammad Al-Atrash has admitted that the performance of the free zones had not lived up to expectations. Instead of spawning export industries they had become distribution centers for consumer goods destined for local markets.

Producing in the zones brings exemption from customs duties, labor and corporate income taxes and many important exchange control regulations. Dr. Saqqa said that no decision had been made so far on the future role of the zones, but it was clear that they had to be integrated more into the Syrian economy. Often the zones had been used simply as entry points for goods in transit, bringing little real benefit to the economy.

Foreign manufacturers have used the zones to transit products to other Middle East states as well as the Soviet Union, with which Syria signed a 20-year friendship and cooperation agreement last year.

The zones are located in Damascus, Damascus International Airport, Adra, Aleppo, Latakia and Tartous.

Financial Roundup
Riyal stays firm on quiet day

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, Nov. 15 — Local dealers reported that Sunday was an extremely quiet trading day with very few transactions reported. The Bahrain market was also extremely quiet according to brokers operating there, with most dealers leaving by lunch time. Riyal interest rates remained relatively stable, but once again with few deals struck, one could not judge the stability or depth of the market.

The local market was more interested in preparing for Monday European openings of the markets and most transactions were in the short tenors, either overnight or week-fixed period. Week-fixed d opened at 5 — 0 percent, but dealt at 4 percent

levels, while the overnight borrowing rate still averaged at 1 percent or lower. In the one-month tenor, there was little movement from Saturday's rate of 8 — 8 1/2 percent with the year fixed deposit being quoted at 12 1/2 — 13 percent.

Continuing riyal liquidity injections into the system as well as a weaker dollar on both the exchange and money markets for the past week has enabled the riyal deposit rates to remain low. Some dealers are already forecasting a one-month JIBOR rate of 4 percent next week if dollar prime rates continue their descent past the present 16 1/2 percent.

On the local exchanges, the situation was similar with spot dollar/riyal levels hardly moving from opening levels of 3.4200.

Exxon violating pact--Libya

BEIRUT, Nov. 15 (R) — Libya has accused the American oil giant Exxon of breaching contract and Libyan law by relinquishing its concessions in Libya, but its national oil company said the dispute might be resolved through negotiations.

Exxon, the world's biggest oil company, announced Friday in New York that it had notified the Tripoli government on Nov. 4 that it was pulling out of Libya, where it once produced an average of 100,000 barrels of oil a day.

The Libyan oil Secretariat (ministry), in a statement issued by the official Libyan news agency Jana, confirmed Saturday that it had received the notice from Esso Standard Libya Inc. and Esso Sirte Inc. the two companies, both of which are 51 per cent nationalized by Libya, are Exxon affiliates.

The secretariat said it had told the companies that their behavior did not conform to a Libyan oil law and "was tantamount to failure to carry out their legal commitments and a unilateral breach of contract."

In a separate statement reported by Jana, the Libyan National Oil Corporation said differences might be resolved through negotiations.

"despite the divergence of views between the National Oil Corporation and the two companies on the legal standing of their behavior, resolving the difference between the two sides through negotiations is not discounted," its statement said.

The oil corporation said it did not

recognize the conduct of the two companies and reserved the right "to take whatever measures it deemed appropriate to reserve its rights." The oil secretariat also said in its statement: "The secretariat has reserved and continues to reserve all its rights under the law." Exxon has given no reason for its move, and the Libyan statements shed no further light on it.

In Abu Dhabi, a United Arab Emirates newspaper said Sunday the withdrawal from Libya of Exxon was politically motivated. The daily *Al-Bayan* said the move coincided with mounting tension in the U.S.-Libyan relations and was "a political question despite the fact that the U.S. State Department has said that Exxon took the decision itself. The Exxon withdrawal, announced in New York on Thursday, "poses many questions about the significance of the decision ... and one of them relates to the real role of the international oil companies," the newspaper said.

Al-Bayan said Exxon's action was unprecedented, grave and required a "serious stand" by the 13 members of the organization of petroleum exporting countries (OPEC), and in particular Arab oil exporters.

Foreign Exchange Rates

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	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
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Canadian Dollar	—	—	154.50
Deutsche Mark (100)	—	—	141.00
Dutch Guilder (100)	—	—	12.17
Egyptian Pound	—	—	3.75
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	—	93.00
French Franc (100)	—	—	61.50
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	—	53.00
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	61.35
Iranian Ryal (100)	—	—	37.50
Israeli Dinar	—	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	—	—	29.20
Japanese Yen (1,000)	—	—	15.10
Jordanian Dinar	—	—	10.15
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Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	43.30
Pound Sterling	—	—	6.57
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Al-Qaryat Governorate	Construction of a fence around the residence of the governor	190	50	18.11.81
Ministry of Posts, Telegraph and Telephones	Supply of laser sheets	120340	500	4.11.81

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10.	Atalaya	Gulf	Timber/General	12.11.81
12.	Golden Bahrain	Ei Hawi	Contrs/General	11.11.81
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19.	Grecian Legend	Alsabah	Bulk Cement	13.11.81
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Connors topples McEnroe for title

LONDON, Nov. 15 (AP) — Jimmy Connors came back after trailing by two sets to defeat defending champion and fellow-American John McEnroe 3-6, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 in the final of the Benson and Hedges Tennis Tournament here Sunday.

The Wimbledon champion, who had a tremendous record in the event having conceded only one set in 19 matches since the first competed in 1978, went down to an all-action Connors in just over three and a half hours.

On Saturday in the semifinals, McEnroe mixing brilliant tennis with tantrums, defeated Sandy Mayer 6-3, 6-3. Connors beat Yannick Noah, the tall American also by 6-3, 6-3.

The two Americans were set to meet in the final Sunday for a first prize of \$32,500. McEnroe is trying to win the title for the fourth straight year.

McEnroe hit a stream of dazzling service-returns to stop Mayer but he continued his feud with British umpires, which reached its peak with his stormy Wimbledon triumph

four months ago.

John Parry, officiating at Saturday's semi-final, gave McEnroe a warning for angrily slamming a ball into the roof of the Wimbledon arena after losing a point.

Earlier, McEnroe had shouted at a woman linesman: "Why are you always officiating when I'm playing? Why, why, why?"

Mayer said McEnroe played "phenomenally well." "I have never known him return my service as well as he did today," Mayer said.

Connors had an up-and-down tussle before mastering Noah. In the first set he broke serving three times and the Frenchman once.

Connors built up a 3-1 lead in the second set and then had only to hold his service to win. He dropped only one point in his last three service games.

Meanwhile, unseeded American Robert Van't Hof, 22, won the Taipei International Tennis Championships here Sunday with a straight sets win over his compatriot Pat Dupre 7-5, 6-2.



Jimmy Connors, stages magnificent rally

U.S. retains Federation Cup

TOKYO, Nov. 15 (AP) — The American women tennis team won their sixth consecutive Federation Cup title Sunday, defeating Britain 3-0 in the best of three matches.

In singles, teenage sensation Andrea Jaeger brushed aside veteran Virginia Wade 6-3, 6-1 and reigning Wimbledon champion Chris Evert Lloyd whipped Sue Barker 6-2, 6-1. Rosemary Casals and Kathy Jordan took the doubles, the last match of the seven-day tournament, 6-4, 7-5.

The United States has won the World Championship for national teams, the women's equivalent of the Davis Cup, 11 times in the Cup's 19-year history. The Americans have held the title ever since they defeated Australia 3-0 in 1976.

It was the British team's fourth runner-up finish since 1967. The victory earned the four U.S. players \$50,000 and the British players \$25,000 for finishing second in the 32-nation tournament played on the clay court of the Tamagawa Park Racquet Club in suburban

Tokyo.

The Americans moved into the finals by beating eighth-seeded Switzerland 3-0 and fifth-seeded Britain over fourth-seeded Australia with a 2-1 win.

America's chief rival, second-seeded Czechoslovakia, disappointed the daily 4,000 spectators as it went down to the Soviet the daily 4,000 spectators as it went down to the Soviet Union 2-1 in the second round.

However, Czechoslovakia won the consolation title among the losers of the first and second round matches by beating Brazil 2-0 in the finals. Later, the two countries agreed not to play the doubles.

Hana Mandlikova beat Patricia Medrado 7-5, 6-3, and Hana Sukova whipped Clauke Monteiro 6-3, 6-1.

The consolation final match winner and loser will be presented with trophies instead of money. The 1982 Federation Cup will be held in Santa Clara, near San Francisco, July 19-25.

College Football results

William and Mary	31	Carolina	21	Alabama	31	Penn St.	16
Iowa	17	Wisconsin	7	Boston U.	27	Bucknell	9
Michigan	28	Purdue	10	Cornel	15	Columbia	0
Michigan St.	43	Minnesota	36	Dartmouth	38	Brown	13
Ohio St.	70	Northwestern	6	Harvard	45	Penn	7
Colgate	32	Holy Cross	13	Lehigh	23	Northeastern	20
Princeton	35	Yale	31	Massachusetts	20	New Hampshire	9
Florida A and M	41	Southern U.	14	Pittsburgh	48	Army	0
Furman	33	VMI	21	Rhode Island	45	Connecticut	29
Tulane	24	Memphis St.	7	Syracuse	27	Boston College	17
Cincinnati	24	Louisville	14	Duke	87	N. Carolina St.	7
Illinois	35	Ole Miss	14	W. Virginia	21	Maryland	3
Kansas	27	Colorado	0	Clemson	21	Virginia Tech	12
Missouri	19	Oklahoma	14	Duke	87	N. Carolina St.	7
Nebraska	31	Iowa St.	7	Georgia	24	Auburn	13
Oklahoma St.	31	Kansas St.	10	Navy	20	Georgia Tech	14
Southern Meth	30	Texas Tech	6	N. Carolina	17	Virginia	14
Texas	31	Texas Christian	15	Tennessee	28	Mississippi	20
Notre Dame	35	Air Force	7	Wake Forest	34	Richmond	22

Poland keeps clean slate

WARSAW, Nov. 15 (R) — Poland completed their World Cup Soccer qualifying program with a flourish when they trounced Malta 6-0 in Wroclaw, south west Poland Sunday.

Poland had already clinched their place in next year's finals in Spain with a 3-2 win over East Germany last month, and Sunday's success meant they won all four European Group Seven games.

The East Germans were second in the three-team group with Malta bottom after losing every match.

Poland were held to a just one-goal lead in the first half in which Andrzej Iwan scored with a header. They had plenty of chances but were foiled by goalkeeper Charles Sciberras.

The goal spree really got under way soon after the interval when Włodzimierz Smolarek and Stefan Majewski netted, in rapid succession.

Smolarek scored again in the 65th minute and the fifth goal came from a 19-year-old substitute Dariusz Dziekanowski. Midfielder Zbigniew Boniek completed the rout with the final goal ten minutes from the finish.

STANDINGS

European Group Seven

Poland	4	4	0	12	2	8
E. Germany	4	2	0	2	9	6
Malta	4	0	0	4	2	15

Canadian triumphs

TOKYO, Nov. 15 (AP) — Linda Staudt, a 23-year-old Canadian, sprinted out from the start and won the 1981 Tokyo International Women's Marathon Sunday in two hours, 34 minutes and 28 seconds.

Pryor ends Johnson's winning run

CLEVELAND, Nov. 15 (R) — World Boxing Association light welterweight champion Aaron Pryor kept his title and undefeated record intact by stopping previously unbeaten Djuan Johnson in the seventh round of their scheduled 15-round bout here Saturday.

Referee Jackie Keough halted the fight at 1:49 of the seventh as Pryor had the challenger against the ropes and was pummeling him about the head without reply. Pryor, 26, and Johnson, 20, both Americans, staged a toe-to-toe battle for the crowd of 3,000 and a national television audience.

The tone of the bout was set in the first round when Pryor stepped into a hard right to the head and went straight to the canvas. But

With seventh round kayo win

the champion, who had finished off 26 of 28 opponents within the distance, sprang immediately back to his feet and finished the round by trading a series of stinging blows with Johnson.

Benitez gains verdict

In Las Vegas, Wilfred Benitez retained his World Boxing Council light middleweight title on a points decision after a lacklustre contest against fellow Puerto Rican Carlos Santos.

Neither fighter seriously hurt the other and most of the time 26-year-old Santos, the No. 1 contender for the title, danced away from Benitez, who was content to stalk but not punch his opponent.

Santos made it easy for Benitez, 23, who was defending his 154-pound title for the first time since dethroning Britain's Maurice Hope last May. The light-hitting challenger fought only to survive the scheduled 15 rounds and never pressured the champion or took the fight to him.

For his part, Benitez was content merely to pile up points and didn't seem too concerned about ending the bout early. The only exciting moments came at the end of the 11th round, when Benitez hurt and dazed Santos and at the beginning of the 12th when they fought exchanged a flurry of telling punches.

The three American judges had Benitez ahead by nine points, six points and three points respectively.

Hughes' century puts Aussies on top

PERTH, Nov. 15 (AP) — A dazzling century by vice-captain Kim Hughes helped Australia grind Pakistan into a hopeless position on the third day of the first Test at the WACA ground on Sunday.

Hughes, deposed by Greg Chappell as captain for this summer, played a remarkably responsible innings to notch his sixth Test century and his first on his home ground.

The 27-year-old Hughes helped Australia to tighten their vice-like grip on the game, and at stumps Australia had reached 382 for six in the second innings. Rod Marsh was on 35 and Bruce Yardley was on four.

This gives Australia an overall of 500 runs with two days play remaining.

Even though Pakistan's hopes are forlorn, Chappell is sure to continue the innings Monday morning before making a declaration.

After 15 wickets had crashed a sensational day on Saturday, the Pakistani bowlers struggled to remove only four batsmen in the six hours on Sunday.

Scoreboard

Australia (1st Innings) 198
Pakistan (1st Innings) 62
Australia (2nd Innings)

G. Wood b Casin	49
B. Laird c Wasim Bari b Imran	85
G. Chappell b Imran	6
K. Hughes c Majid b Sikander	106
G. Yallop c Imran b Sikander	38
A. Border c Mudassar b Sikander	37
R. Marsh batting	35
B. Yardley batting	4
Extras	22
Total: (for 6 wks)	382

Fall of wickets: 1-92, 2-105, 3-192, 4-262, 5-327, 6-260.
Bowling: Imran 33-10-80-3; Sikander 23-39-2; Sarfaraz 2-5-80-0; Wasim Bari 18-2-57-0; Qasim 18-3-61-1; Mianud 1-0-2-0; Mudassar 2-1-1-0.

Edwards bags Toshiba title

GOTEMBA, Japan, Nov. 15 (AP) — Danny Edwards of the United States won the \$300,000 Toshiba Taiheiyo Masters Golf Tournament Sunday by firing a two-under-par 70 for a 12-under-par 276.

Edwards, who started Sunday's final rounds as co-leader with fellow American Lon Hinkle, carded four birdies and two bogeys, on the 6,505-meter (7,111-yard), par-72, Taiheiyo Club Gotemba course 90 kilometers southwest of Tokyo. Edwards received first money prize money of \$65,000.

American veteran pro Tom Watson shot a two-under-par 70 for a nine-under-par 279

proceedings Sunday with his stylish batting. He reeled off 16 boundaries mainly with hooks, pulls and cuts, in his innings of 106 that came from 198 deliveries in 271 minutes. Hughes, who resumed in the morning when his score was three, moved steadily to 42 at lunch.

He was still restrained for the first 40 minutes after lunch before he blossomed out to move from 50 to 100 in the space of 54 deliveries. He went to tea on 105, and the interval seemed to break his momentum.

After scoring only a single in the first 16 minutes after tea he edged a ball from Imran Khan to the solitary slip, Majid Khan.

Hughes held the Australian innings, together and was associated in three excellent partnerships 87 with opener Bruce Laird, 70 with Graham Yallop and 75 in only 53 minutes with Allan Border.

Laird, who struggled for long periods early in his innings, gave a gritty display to defy the attack for 298 minutes in scoring 85. After he reached his half century he played some splendid on drives and looked poised to reach his maiden Test hundred.

Celtics record seventh victory

NEW YORK, Nov. 15 (AP) — Nate Archibald scored 16 points and keyed a strong defensive effort to lead the Boston Celtics to their seventh consecutive victory, a 92-91 decision over the Cleveland Cavaliers in a National Basketball Association game Saturday night.

In another match Ray Williams' two short jumpers and a layup brought the New Jersey Nets a third period lead they maintained all the way to a 103-92 victory over the Kansas City Kings.

Veteran center Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's free throw with 1:52 remaining staved off a furious Phoenix fourth period rally and gave Los Angeles a 98-97 victory.

Johnny Davis scored 18 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter as the Indiana Pacers held off a second-half rally by the San Diego Clippers for a 123-114 victory.

16th game drawn

MERANO, Italy Nov. 15, (R) — Anatoly Karpov and Viktor Korchnoi agreed to a draw after 42 moves in the 16th game of their World Chess Championship battle here Sunday.

The surprise draw was offered by Soviet champion Karpov only minutes after play resumed in the game, adjourned after Korchnoi, playing black, sealed his 41st move Saturday night.

Karpov leads the match 5-2 and needs one more win to retain his title.

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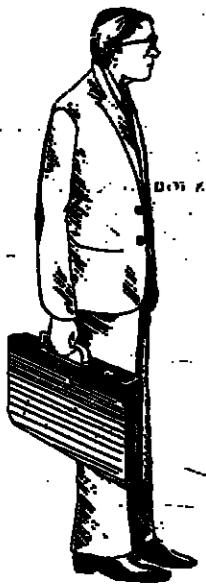


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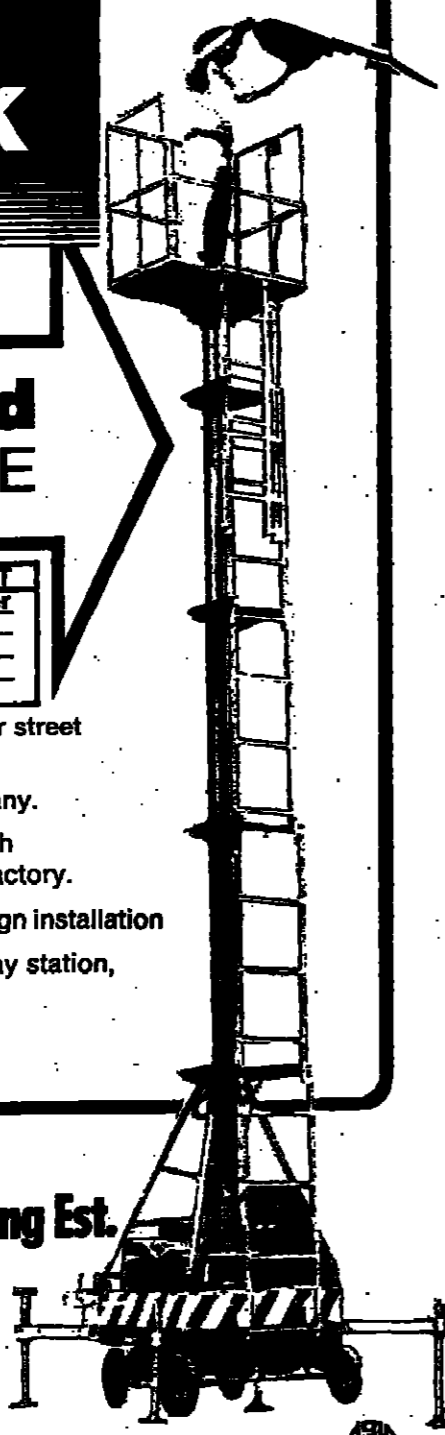
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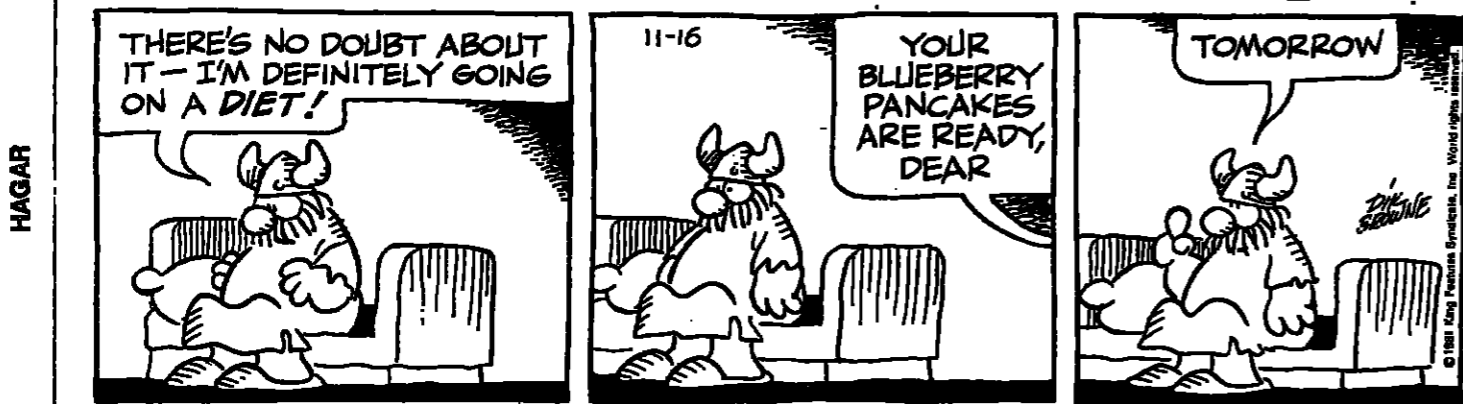
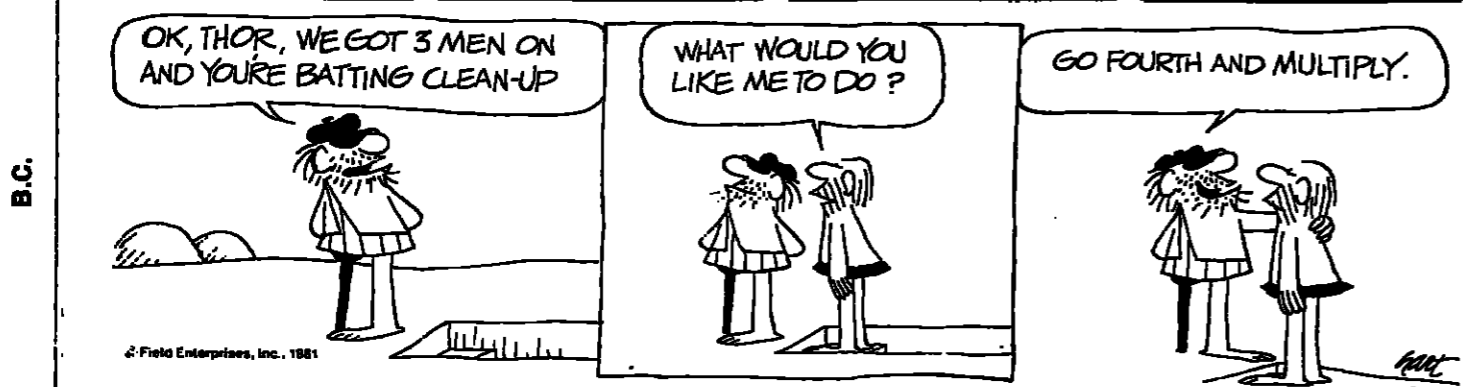
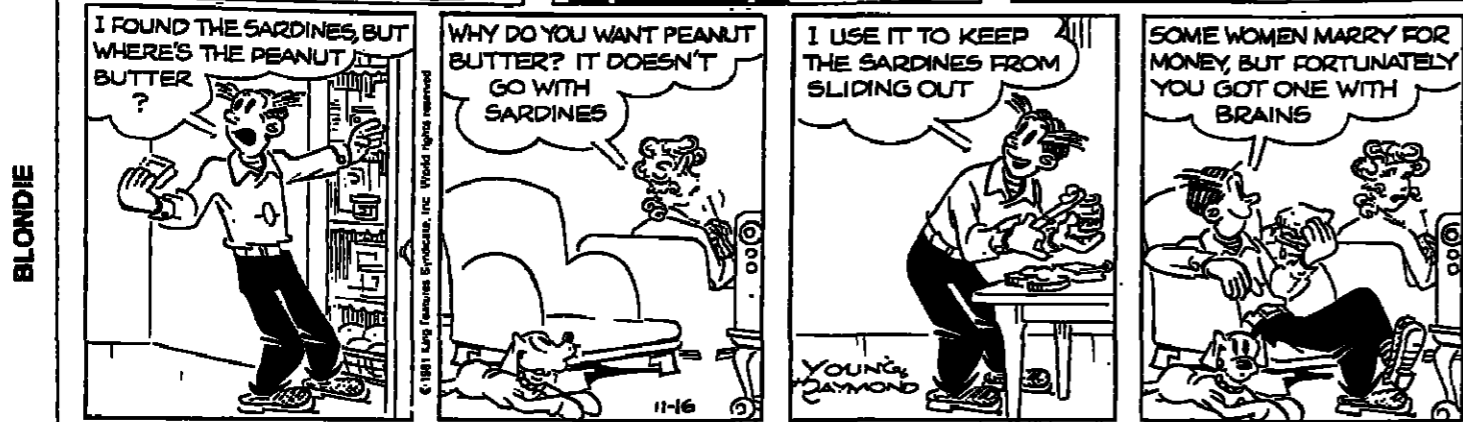
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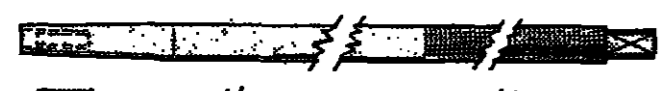

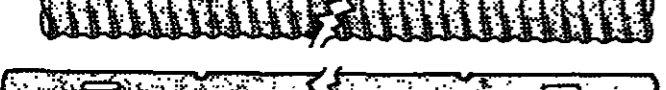
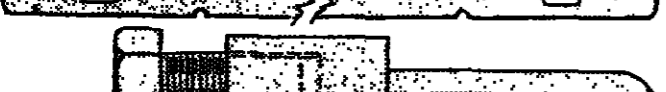

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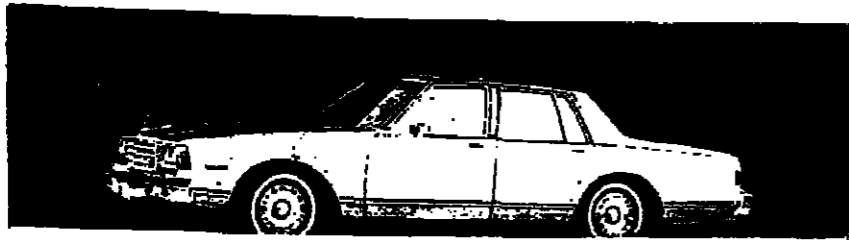
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Appeal for calm

Civil war fear rises as Irish youth killed

BELFAST, Nov. 15 (R) — A Catholic teenager was shot dead and another seriously injured early Sunday in what Catholic leaders feared was retaliation for the murder of hard-line Protestant parliamentarian Robert Bradford.

The Rev. Bradford's death at the hands of Irish Republican Army (IRA) gunmen in Belfast Saturday was seen by politicians and security chiefs as an IRA attempt to provoke a civil war in the British province.

Northern Ireland Secretary James Prior appealed to the 900,000 Protestants and 600,000 Catholics to remain calm before he returned to the province for urgent talks on security with police chief Jack Hermon.

The 18-year-old who died Sunday was walking home in a Catholic enclave of Protestant east Belfast when he was shot at point-blank range by a motorcycle pillion passenger. Police sources said Protestant extremists appeared to be responsible.

In another attack, a 19-year-old youth was shot in the neck in a Catholic area of north

Belfast when he opened the door to two gunmen. Community leaders and relatives of the victims told reporters they believed the attacks were reprisals for Bradford's killing.

Gerry Fitt, a leading Catholic politician and outspoken critic of violence, said the IRA was seeking a full-scale civil war by trying to provoke Protestants into retaliation against Catholics.

Tension has been running high in Northern Ireland after a series of guerrilla attacks during the past week on the security forces in which three men were killed and two injured.

In a joint statement, police chief Hermon and Army Cmdr. Sir Richard Lawson said the IRA and other "terrorist organizations" sought to provoke sectarian strife, similar to that of the early 1970s.

Bradford, 40, an official Unionist member of the British Parliament, was killed while addressing constituents at a community center. The gunman, believed to number at least three, also killed the center's caretaker before escaping in a car.

Bradford, who favored the return of the death penalty for convicted guerrillas, had planned to tour the United States in January with a fellow Protestant hard-liner, the Rev. Ian Paisley, to counter IRA publicity there.

The Dublin government said in a statement that Bradford's murder was a brutal crime. In London, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher said: "We ... will persevere in our overriding duty to cleanse our country of the evil of terrorism."

For John Hume, leader of the Catholic dominated Social Democratic Labor Party, the new IRA campaign seeks "to provoke a massive retaliation from the Protestants against Catholics."

The IRA's Belfast brigade, which claimed responsibility for the double murder of Bradford and a community center caretaker said it singled out the British MP because he was "one of the key people encouraging paramilitary loyalists to kill Roman Catholics in the north."

Hume suggested that the IRA campaign was "clearly an attempt to set the communities at each other's throats." For his part, Harold McCusker, a Protestant Unionist member of parliament for Armagh, said that Protestants "are being slaughtered at such a rate that anything is possible."

"If the lawful authority is not capable of defending us, then we are not entitled to defend ourselves," he demanded.

Hard-line Protestant leader Ian Paisley blamed London for the increased violence. The British government's determination to negotiate a compromise with the Irish Republic has "encouraged the IRA in their ruthless and bloody campaign," Rev. Paisley said.

"I brand the prime minister as one of the guilty parties," he added.

Meanwhile, British authorities have considerably reinforced security forces in isolated Protestant areas close to the Irish border, and Secretary Prior recently announced that Special Air Service forces had been deployed along the frontier.

Indians find Jaguar bad

CAIRO, Nov. 15 (ONS) — Indian Air Force officials are complaining about the Anglo-French Jaguar aircraft they have bought, and which are being ferried through Cairo en route to India.

There apparently have been repeated faults with the fighter's avionics, usually allied with its computer-controlled inertial navigation and weapons aiming system. The faults can hardly be teething problems, since the first producing models of the aircraft were flown in November 1971 and the prototypes three years before that.

India has agreed to buy 40 Jaguars outright and a further 45 were to be assembled in India from kits supplied by the British Aircraft Corporation. After this, the next stage was supposed to be that India would be sold the know-how and the tools to make their own Jaguars as they did with the Gnats, made by Hawker Siddeley of Britain, which saw considerable service in the 1971 Indo-Pakistani war. But this part of the deal has now been canceled.

The Jaguar purchase has always been controversial in India. If enough faults are found with the first batch, which are costlier than the British or French models because they have been "tropicalized", it may well be that the order for the do-it-yourself kits is canceled too.

At first the Indian Air Force was very much in favor of the aircraft and persuaded the government to buy it. It was thought to be the natural successor to the Gnat, which was only meant to be an interceptor whereas the Jaguar is a proper tactical support aircraft. The British Royal Air Force has about 100 on operational service and the French L'Armee de l'Air slightly more.

German airport protesters teargassed

FRANKFURT, West Germany, Nov. 15 (AP) — Police used water cannons, tear gas, helicopters and two-trucks to prevent several thousand demonstrators from blocking roads leading to Rhine-Main International Airport Sunday after protesters gathered for the second day to oppose construction of a new runway, officials said.

Airport officials said air traffic continued normally and the scene inside the airport's main terminal was calm.

Outside, protesters attempted to block access to the airport by abandoning dozens



RUNWAY PROTEST: Frankfurt police training water cannons at protesters planning to blockade the Rhine-Main International Airport Sunday, to disperse them from the entrance gates to the terminal.

Solidarity orders poll candidates selection

WARSAW, Nov. 15 (Agencies) — Leaders of the Solidarity free trade union in the major industrial region of Silesia have called on their members to start selecting candidates for local government elections, a move that could have profound political repercussions.

The instructions issued by the Silesian branch and published in its information service amounted to a challenge to the existing electoral procedures.

Under these procedures, all candidates for electoral office are chosen by the Communist-controlled National Unity Front. Poland's Communist leaders now talk of expanding the generally discredited body into a new front of national accord and promise it will not be just another meaningless facade.

How far they are prepared to go in devolving power could be determined by their response to the Silesian initiative.

Local elections are due early next year and will provide the first nationwide balloting since the formation of Solidarity in August 1980. Solidarity is committed to free local elections and wants to raise the issue when it begins major talks with the government in Warsaw this week.

The Silesian Solidarity resolution called on all local branches to complete a registration of possible candidates for local government bodies by the end of the year. "The duty of all members of Solidarity is to contribute in a proper way to the holding of the elections, which must ensure that the best citizens are chosen," the resolution said.

The term of office of the present local councils expires on Feb. 5, 1982.

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Marched through the Hessen state capital in nearby Wiesbaden to protest the runway construction and seek a local referendum on the matter.

After government officials rejected the idea of a vote, runway opponents threatened to occupy the airport Sunday.

Opponents contend the new runway, the airport's third, will harm the environment and cause the destruction of hundreds of thousands of trees in nearby forests. Backers of the runway say it is necessary to ease the crush of traffic at the airport, one of Europe's largest and most heavily used.

French police alerted on extremists

PARIS, Nov. 15 (R) — French police investigating a hand grenade blast in central Paris were on the alert Sunday for possible fresh attacks by a group demanding the release of a suspected Armenian guerrilla. The grenade exploded Saturday night in a car park near the Eiffel Tower, damaging a car but causing no injuries.

Callers claiming to represent the "Orly Group" told news organizations in Paris and Beirut that the group had set off the blast and would take further action if France refused to release dimitriu Giorgiu.

Giorgiu was the name in a false Cypriot passport used by the Armenian suspect, police said. He was arrested at Orly airport, Paris, as he was about to board a flight for Beirut last Wednesday. The police said he was released Thursday but re-arrested Friday and charged with possessing forged identity papers.

Police sources said the authorities believed

In another important development, Polish Roman Catholic primate Jozef Glomp met with Deputy Prime Minister Jerzy Ozdowski Saturday night, just hours after returning from a nine-day trip to Rome and Paris.

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Giorgiu and the "Orly Group" are connected with the Armenian Secret Army for the Liberation of Armenia (ASALA), which is waging an underground campaign against Turkey. Four ASALA guerrillas took over the Turkish consulate in Paris for 16 hours in September after killing a security guard and wounding a diplomat.

Since 1975 five Turkish diplomats have been murdered in Paris, apparently by Armenians, six ASALA members are serving sentences or awaiting trial in French jails. In the most recently reported ASALA attack in Europe, a Turkish diplomat was seriously wounded in Rome last month.

Giorgiu, whose passport gave his age as 32, was carrying a large quantity of Swiss francs, printed communiques claiming responsibility for a series of attacks and a dossier of press cuttings on the Turkish Consulate siege in Paris, the police sources said.

On Saturday, about 100,000 persons

Spaniards rally for peace, say no to NATO

MADRID, Nov. 15 (AFP) — Tens of thousands of people demonstrated here Sunday in a leftist-sponsored rally for "peace, disarmament and liberty" and against Spain's entry in the North Atlantic alliance.

Estimates of the crowd size varied widely — organizers said some 500,000 were on hand for the rally at the campus off Madrid's Complutense University, but authorities put the turnout at 75,000.

The Socialist Workers' Party and 200 other political groups, unions and associations organized the rally that heard Socialist chief Felipe Gonzalez call for "total disarmament and dissolution of blocs." It went off without incident. "What will the NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) allies say when they learn that 500,000 Spaniards demonstrated against the entry of their country in NATO," Gonzalez said.

"No to NATO" was one of the key themes of the protest that came 17 days after parliament authorized the government to seek entry into the North Atlantic alliance. Sunday's Spanish protest followed pacifist demonstrations in other Western European countries, including France, Britain, Belgium, Italy and West Germany in the past five weeks.

In Washington, acknowledging Western Europe's hypersensitivity to the threat of a nuclear war, Defense Secretary Casper Weinberger said in an interview published in a weekly news magazine Sunday that European pacifist movements could not be ignored.

"We don't believe any of these movements have reached proportions where they infect any government; but they certainly cannot be disregarded," Weinberger told U.S. News and World Report.

Saying that the United States was "very serious" about upcoming East-West talks on arms reductions in Europe, the secretary warned against pacifist "one-way-street approach to disarmament." "Our worry is that unilateral disarmament and total pacifism invite aggression," Weinberger said.

"We think that the only way to prevent aggression and keep the peace is to maintain relative strength, with sufficient retaliatory strength, so that no one will dare be the aggressor."

Recent mass rallies by pacifists in Western Europe have protested far more strongly against European deployment of U.S. nuclear-armed missiles than against the Soviet missiles aimed at European targets.

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Forty-five minutes after the bus left Milan for the casino in Campione d'Italia, an Italian enclave in Switzerland, three passengers took out pistols and announced, "we are the Red Brigades. This is a holdup."

They ordered the driver to pull over to the side of the road and, after relieving the passengers of their wallets, fur coats and jewels, stepped into a waiting car driven by an accomplice. Police said they believed the robbers were common criminals and not members of the Red Brigades terrorist gang.

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